

CANS

– Compact Accelerator-driven Neutron Sources

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Linking neutron applications – R&D and education – among international projects, regional centers, government labs, universities, & industry

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Outline

1 An Overview

- ✧ CANS: What they are and how they play a role in the neutron S&T
- ✧ The community: *The Union for Compact Accelerator-driven Neutron Sources* (**UCANS**)
- ✧ Facilities currently in operation or under development

2 The CANS accelerator structure

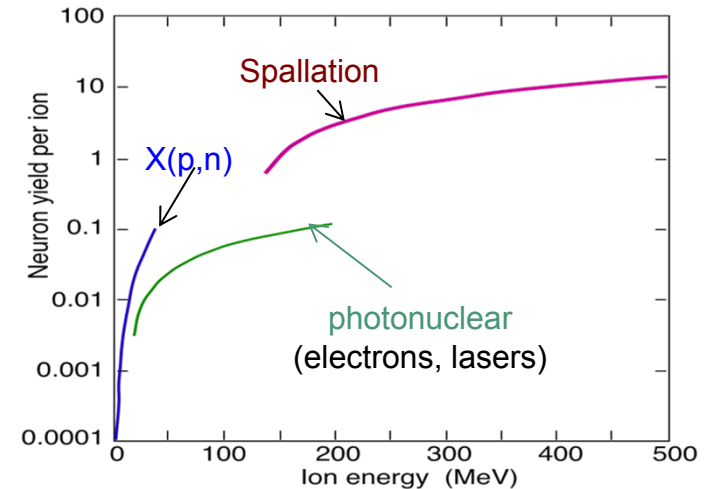
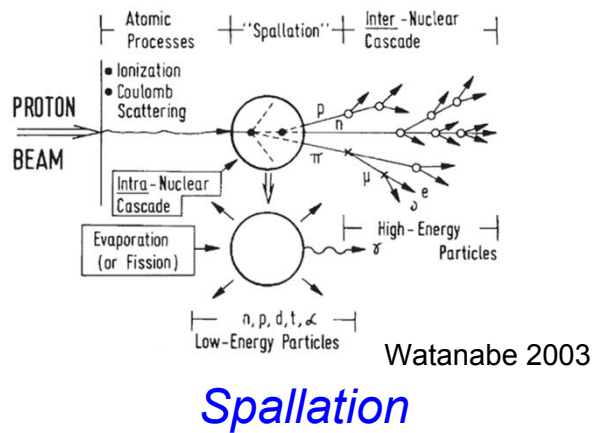
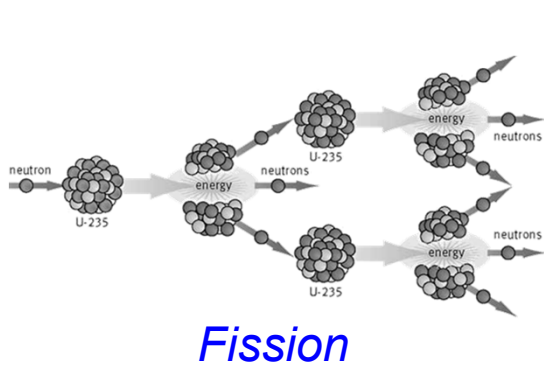
- ✧ Cost-effectiveness
- ✧ An ideal front-end for supporting neutron instrumentation R&D and user training

3 Applications

- ✧ The multidisciplinary nature and diverse utilization

Neutron Production Mechanisms

Reactions	Neutron Production Examples
Fission	$^{235}\text{U} + n \longrightarrow A^* + B^* + xn; \quad \langle x \rangle \sim 2.5$
Spallation	$p + ^{184}\text{W} \longrightarrow A^* + B^* + xn, \quad \langle x \rangle \sim 20$
Fusion	$d + t \longrightarrow \alpha(3.5\text{MeV}) + n(14.1\text{MeV})$ $d + d \longrightarrow \alpha(0.866\text{MeV}) + n(2.4\text{MeV})$
Photoproduction	$\gamma + ^{181}\text{Ta} \longrightarrow ^{180}\text{Ta} + n, \quad \odot + ^2\text{H} \longrightarrow ^1\text{H} + n$
Charged-particle reaction	$^9\text{Be} + p \longrightarrow ^9\text{B} + n, \quad ^2\text{H} + ^3\text{H} \longrightarrow ^3\text{He} + n$
(n,xn)	$^9\text{Be} + n \longrightarrow ^8\text{B}^* + 2n$
Excited-state decay	$^{13}\text{C}^{**} \longrightarrow ^{12}\text{C}^* + n, \quad ^{130}\text{Sn}^{**} \longrightarrow ^{129}\text{Sn}^* + n$



More Neutron Producing Reactions

Reaction types	Examples
(p,n)	${}^3\text{H}(p,n){}^3\text{He}$, ${}^6\text{Li}(p,n){}^6\text{Be}$, ${}^7\text{Li}(p,n){}^7\text{Be}$, ${}^9\text{Be}(p,n){}^9\text{B}$, ${}^{10}\text{Be}(p,n){}^{10}\text{B}$, ${}^{10}\text{B}(p,n){}^{10}\text{C}$, ${}^{11}\text{B}(p,n){}^{11}\text{C}$, ${}^{12}\text{C}(p,n){}^{12}\text{N}$, ${}^{13}\text{C}(p,n){}^{13}\text{N}$, ${}^{14}\text{C}(p,n){}^{14}\text{N}$, ${}^{15}\text{N}(p,n){}^{15}\text{O}$, ${}^{18}\text{O}(p,n){}^{18}\text{F}$, ${}^{36}\text{Cl}(p,n){}^{36}\text{Ar}$, ${}^{39}\text{Ar}(p,n){}^{39}\text{K}$, ${}^{59}\text{Co}(p,n){}^{59}\text{Ni}$
(d,n)	${}^2\text{H}(d,n){}^3\text{He}$, ${}^3\text{H}(d,n){}^4\text{He}$, ${}^7\text{Li}(d,n){}^8\text{Be}$, ${}^9\text{Be}(d,n){}^{10}\text{B}$, ${}^{11}\text{B}(d,n){}^{12}\text{C}$, ${}^{13}\text{C}(d,n){}^{14}\text{N}$, ${}^{14}\text{N}(d,n){}^{15}\text{O}$, ${}^{15}\text{N}(d,n){}^{16}\text{O}$, ${}^{18}\text{O}(d,n){}^{19}\text{F}$, ${}^{20}\text{Ne}(d,n){}^{21}\text{Na}$, ${}^{24}\text{Mg}(d,n){}^{25}\text{Al}$, ${}^{28}\text{Si}(d,n){}^{29}\text{P}$, ${}^{32}\text{S}(d,n){}^{33}\text{Cl}$
(t,n)	${}^1\text{H}(t,n){}^3\text{He}$
(α ,n)	${}^3\text{H}(\alpha,n){}^6\text{Li}$, ${}^7\text{Li}(\alpha,n){}^{10}\text{B}$, ${}^{11}\text{B}(\alpha,n){}^{14}\text{N}$, ${}^{13}\text{C}(\alpha,n){}^{16}\text{O}$, ${}^{22}\text{Ne}(\alpha,n){}^{25}\text{Mg}$

Drosg *et al.* (2002)

Source Characteristics *(Bauer01, Clausen08, Mank et al.01, Zager et al. 05, Nakai et al.10, Elizondo-Decanini et al12)*

Reactions	Neutron Yield	Neutron Production*	Heat Release (MeV/n)	Remarks
Spallation	17-27n/p	10^{14} (n/s/cm ²)	30-55	Expensive, complex, adamant usage
Fission	1 n/fission	10^{13} - 10^{15} (n/s/cm ²)	180	Expensive, complex, adamant usage
Giant laser inertial fusion	1 n/D-T pair	$> 10^{16}$ (n/s/cm ²)	Re-stockable D-T pellets	Unattainable?
⁹ Be(D,n) ¹⁰ Be	1 n/D	10^{13} - 10^{15} (n/s/cm ²)	1000	Moderate cost, flexible operation, multipurpose
⁹ Be(p,xn)	5×10^{-3} n/p		2000	
Photonuclear e-bremsstrahlung	5×10^{-2} n/e	10^{13} (n/s/mA)	2000	Moderate cost, flexible operation, multipurpose
Neutron Generators (D,D) (D,T)	10^7 - 10^8 n/ μ C	10^8 - 10^{10} (n/s)	3500-10000	Transportable, affordable for tailored commercial applications, need higher flux
Table-top-laser photonuclear	10^6 - 10^8 n/J	10^8 - 10^{10} (per shot)	Ultra-short pulsed lasers	Many debris, neutronics not yet matured
Neutristors solid-state, (D,D) chips	?	?	?	~\$2000, tiny, implantable medically, to be developed

*need quantification of neutron spectral distribution and time structure

Neutron Sources

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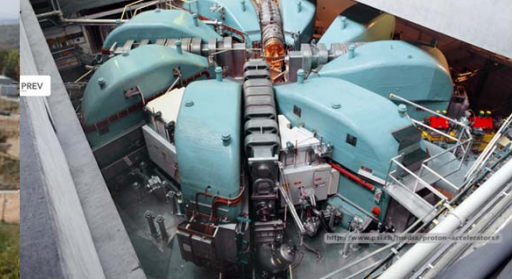
FRM-II High Flux Reactor



Spallation Neutron Source

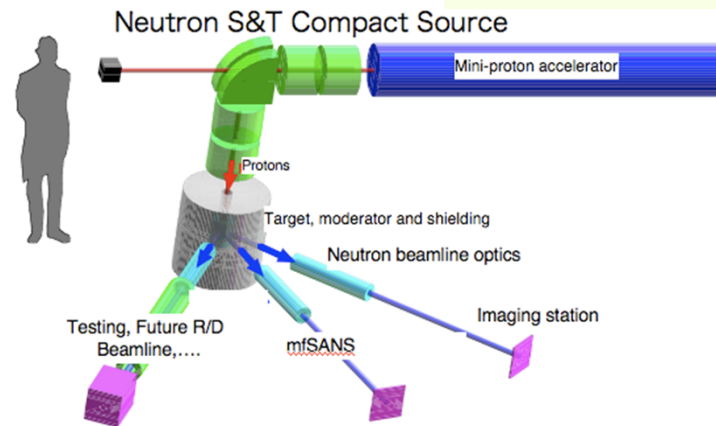


PSI Cyclotron-driven source



Compact Accelerator-Driven Sources

Medium



Small

Isotope source



Neutron generator



Neutron Interrogation Device



PGNAA



Neutron Sources

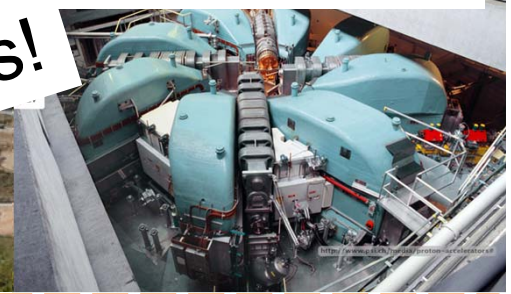
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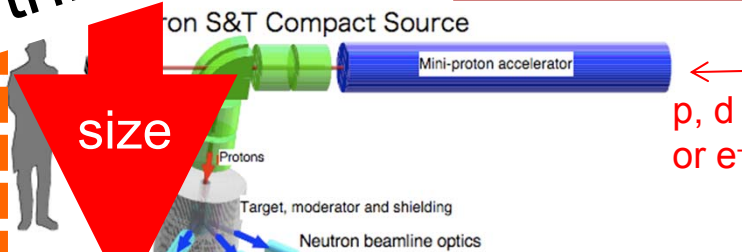
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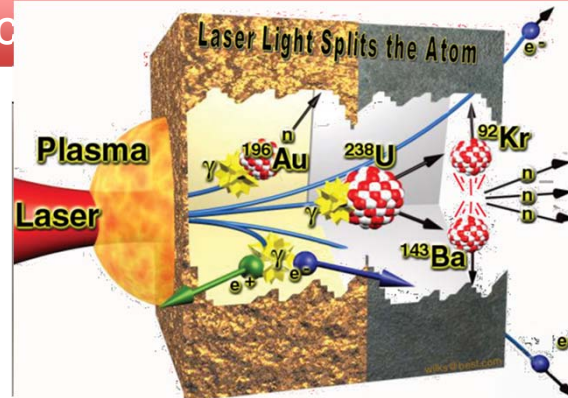
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Everything is relative, so is compactness!

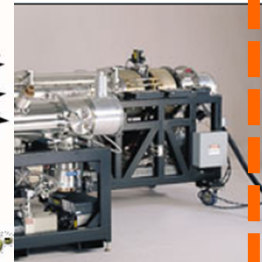
Small Reactors



Compact Acc

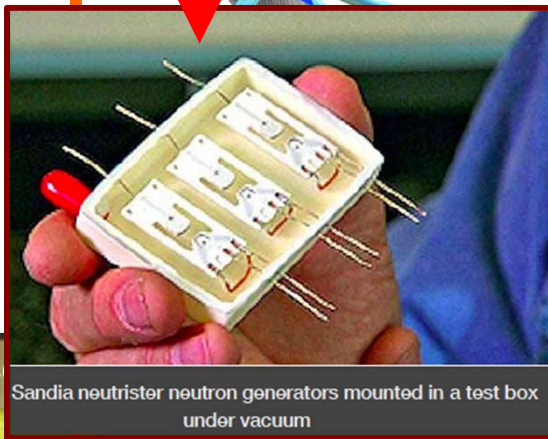


100kW



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Medium



Sandia neutrister neutron generators mounted in a test box under vacuum



Neutron Interrogation Device

flux

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Small



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Neutron Sources: Past, Present, & Future

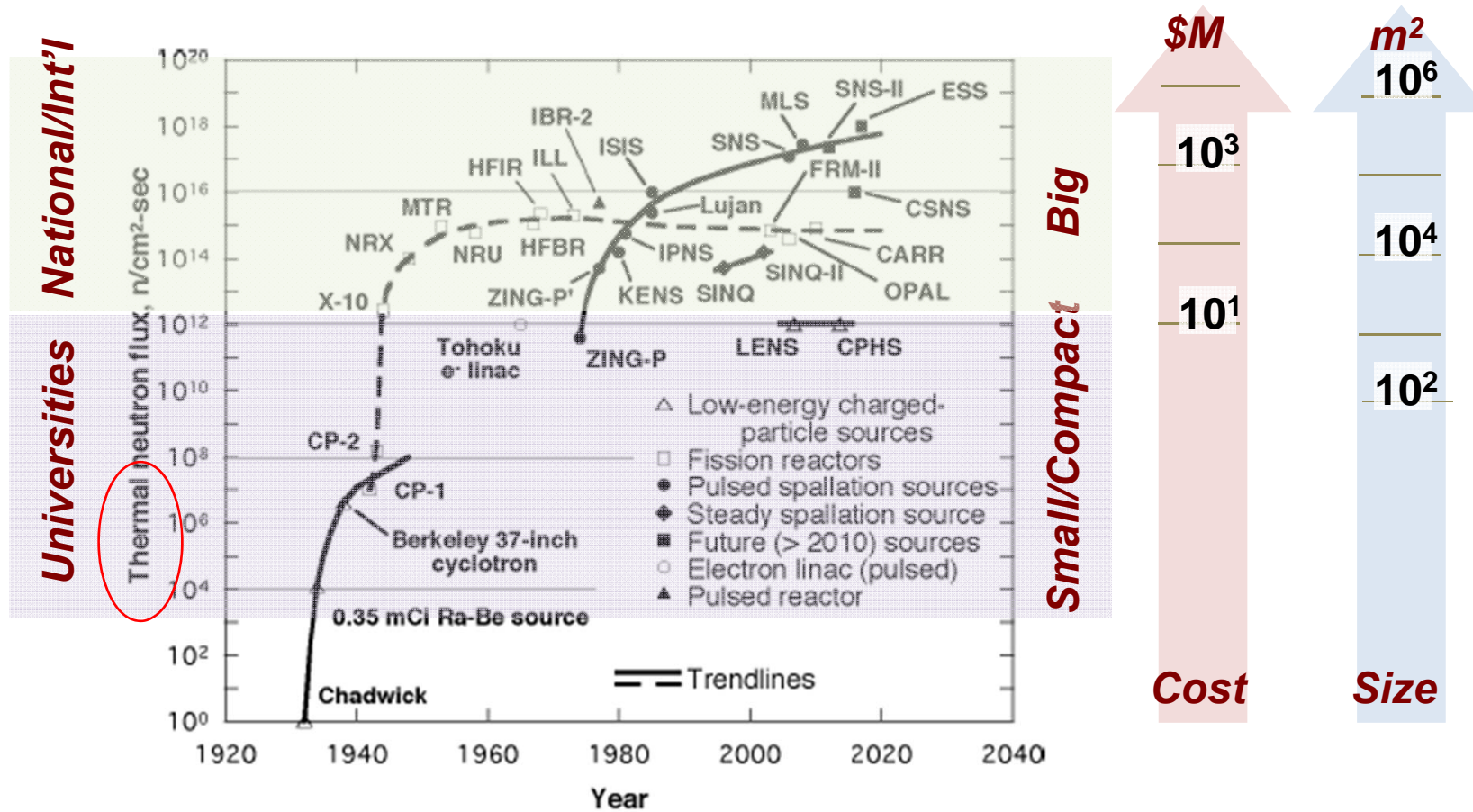
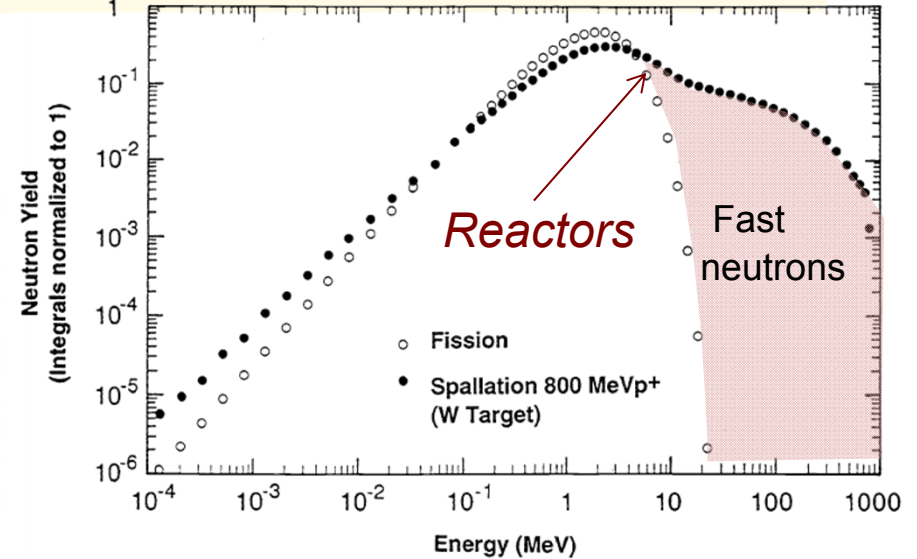
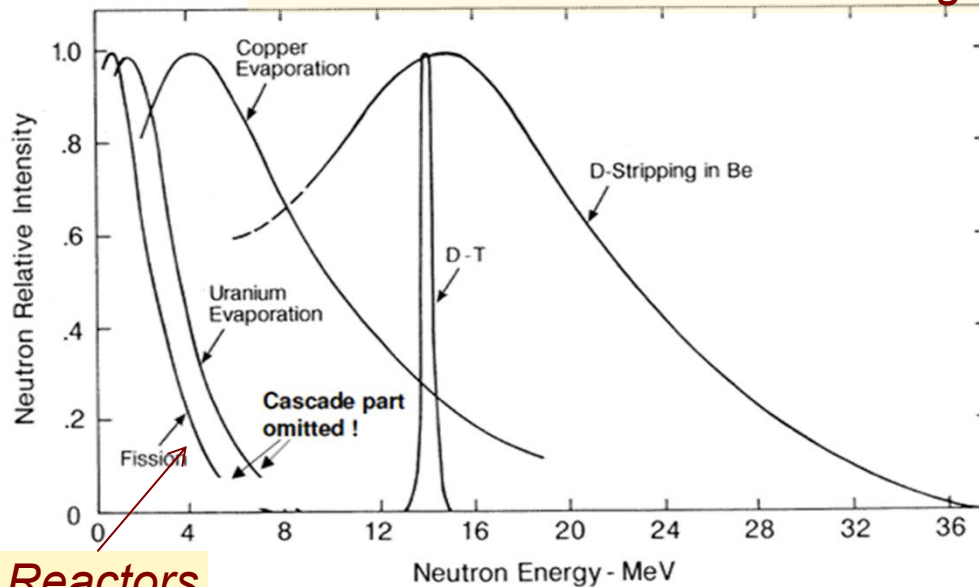


Figure 1. History of development of neutron sources in terms of the effective thermal neutron flux. Carpenter & Lander 2010

This is not the whole story!

Neutron Energy Spectrum & Time Structure

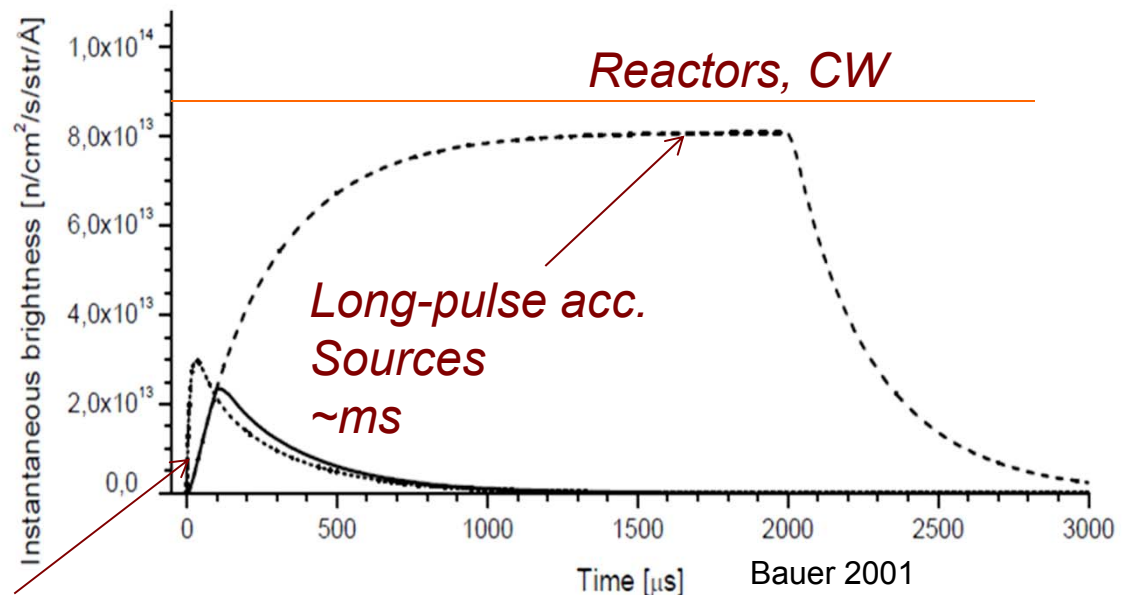
Accelerator-driven sources generates 10-100 MeV fast neutrons



Reactors

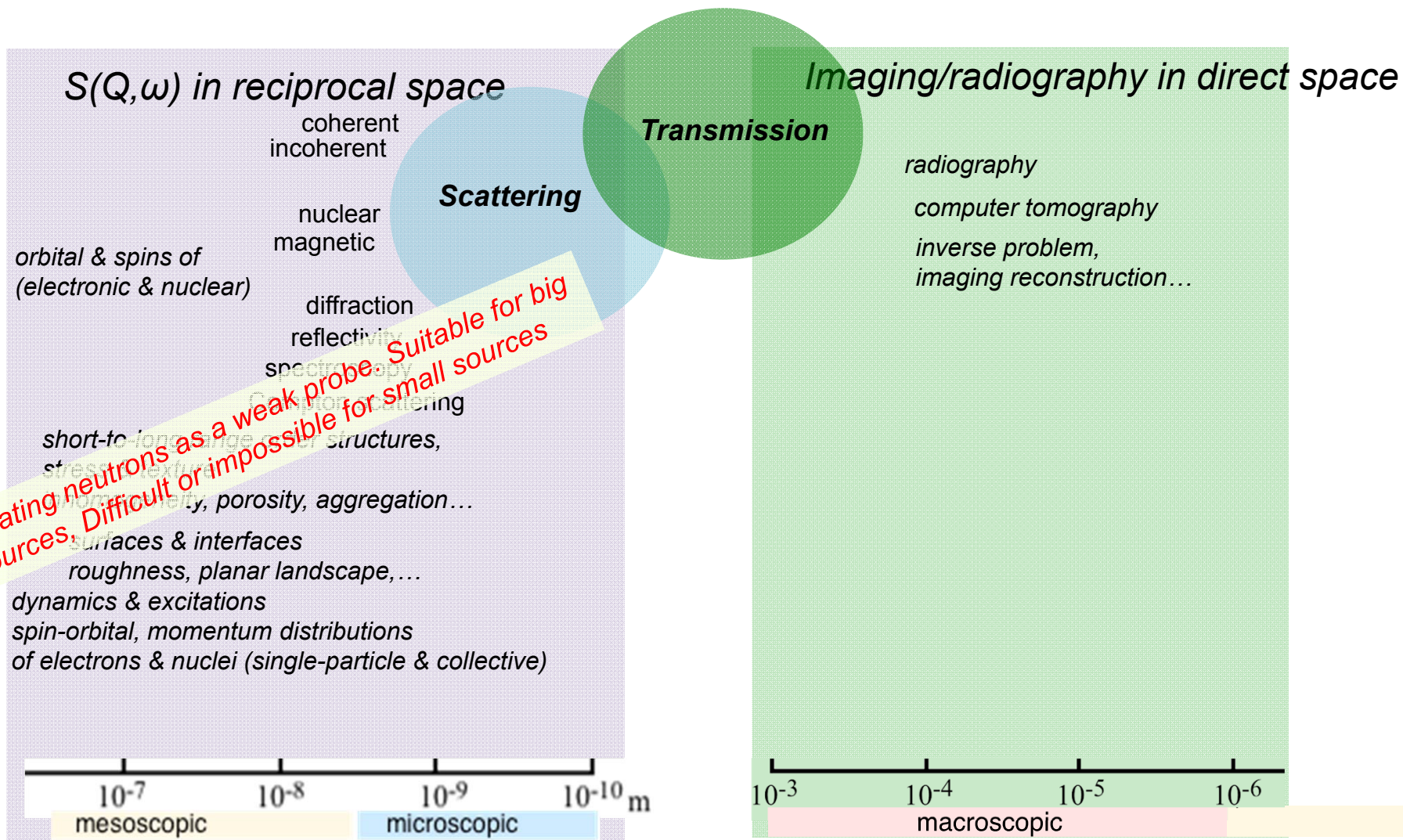
- Accelerator-driven sources generate neutrons with
- a wide energy spectrum, providing cold, thermal, epithermal, and fast neutrons
 - A distinct time structure from μ s to ms

Therefore, accelerator-based sources lend more applications(?).

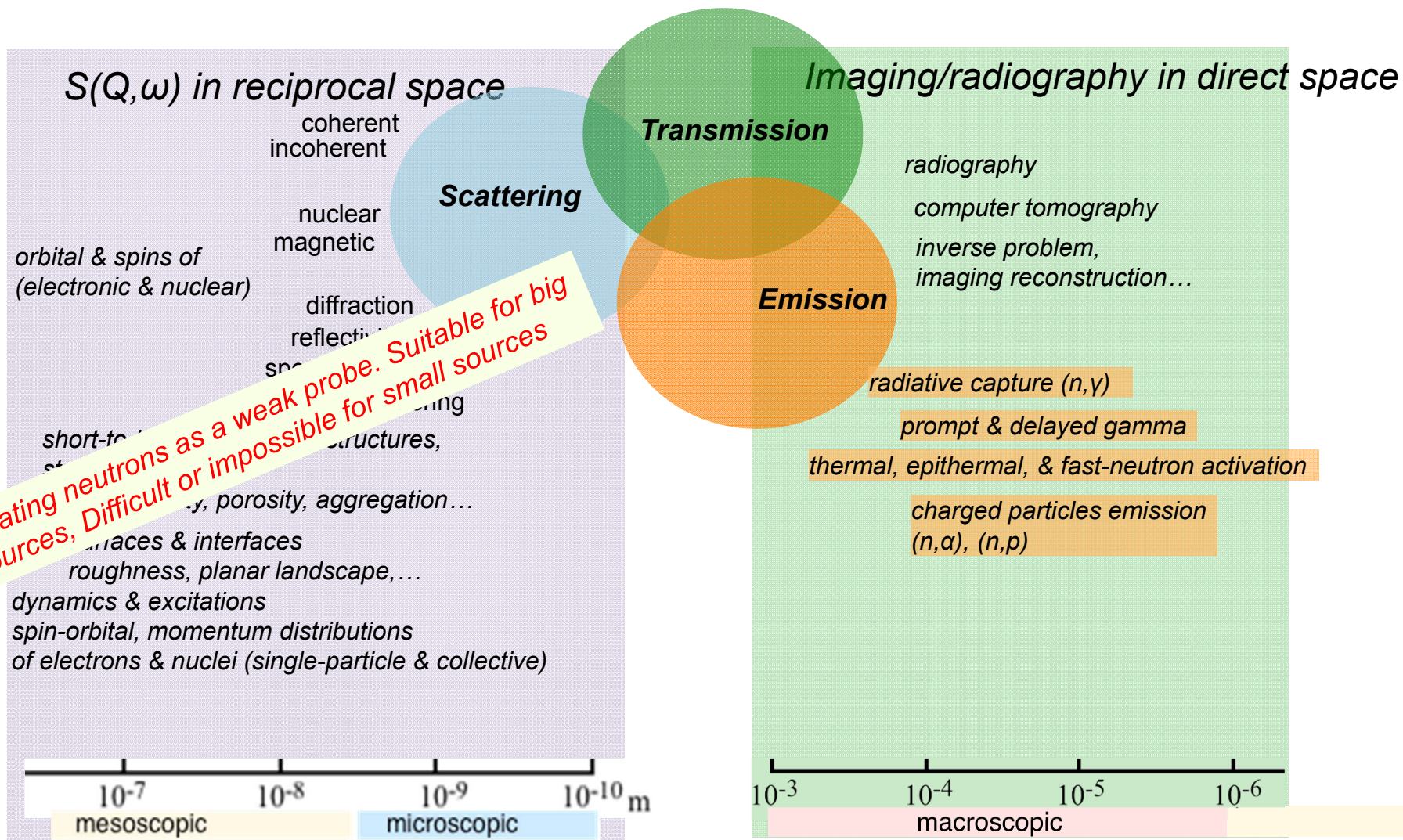


Short-pulse acc. sources

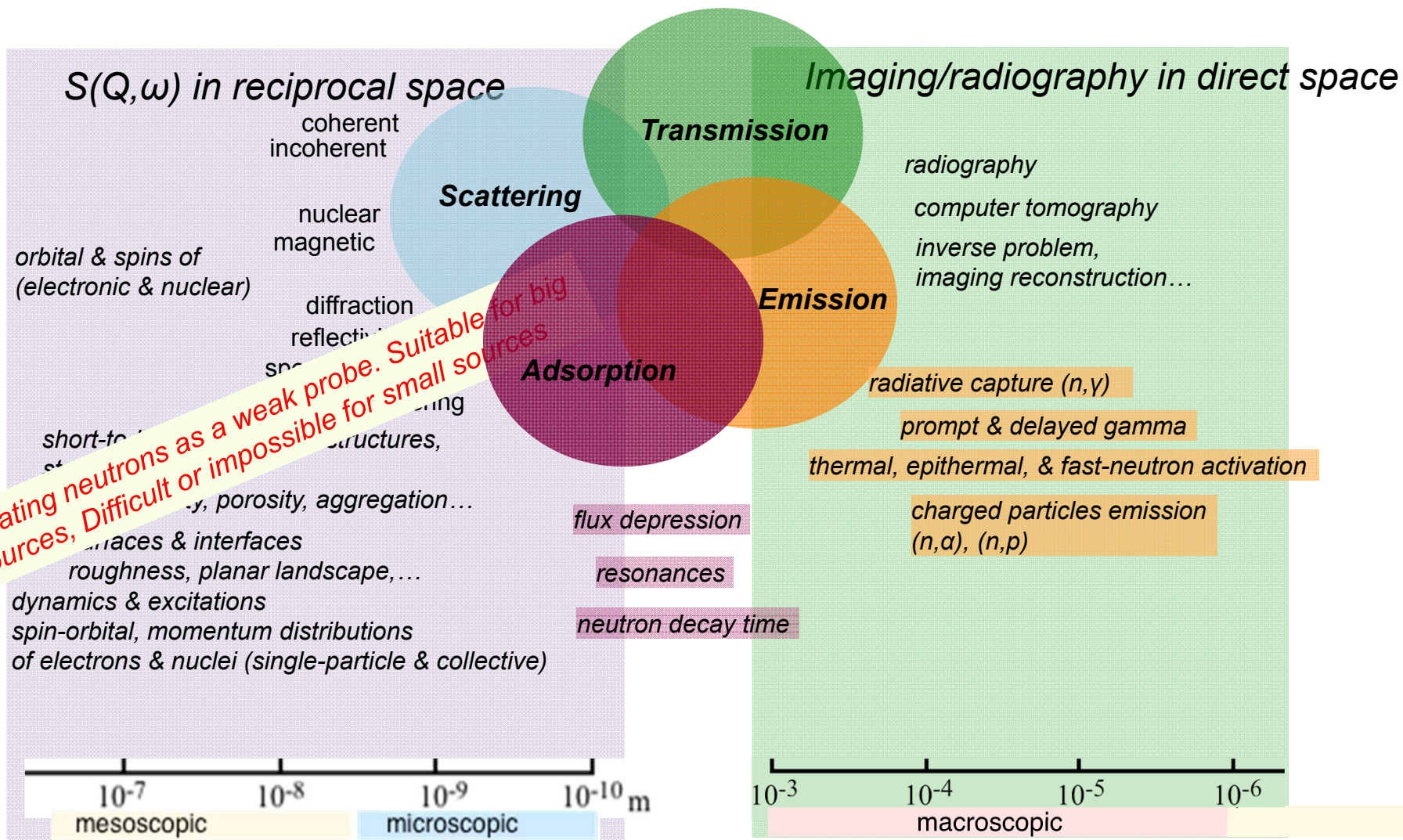
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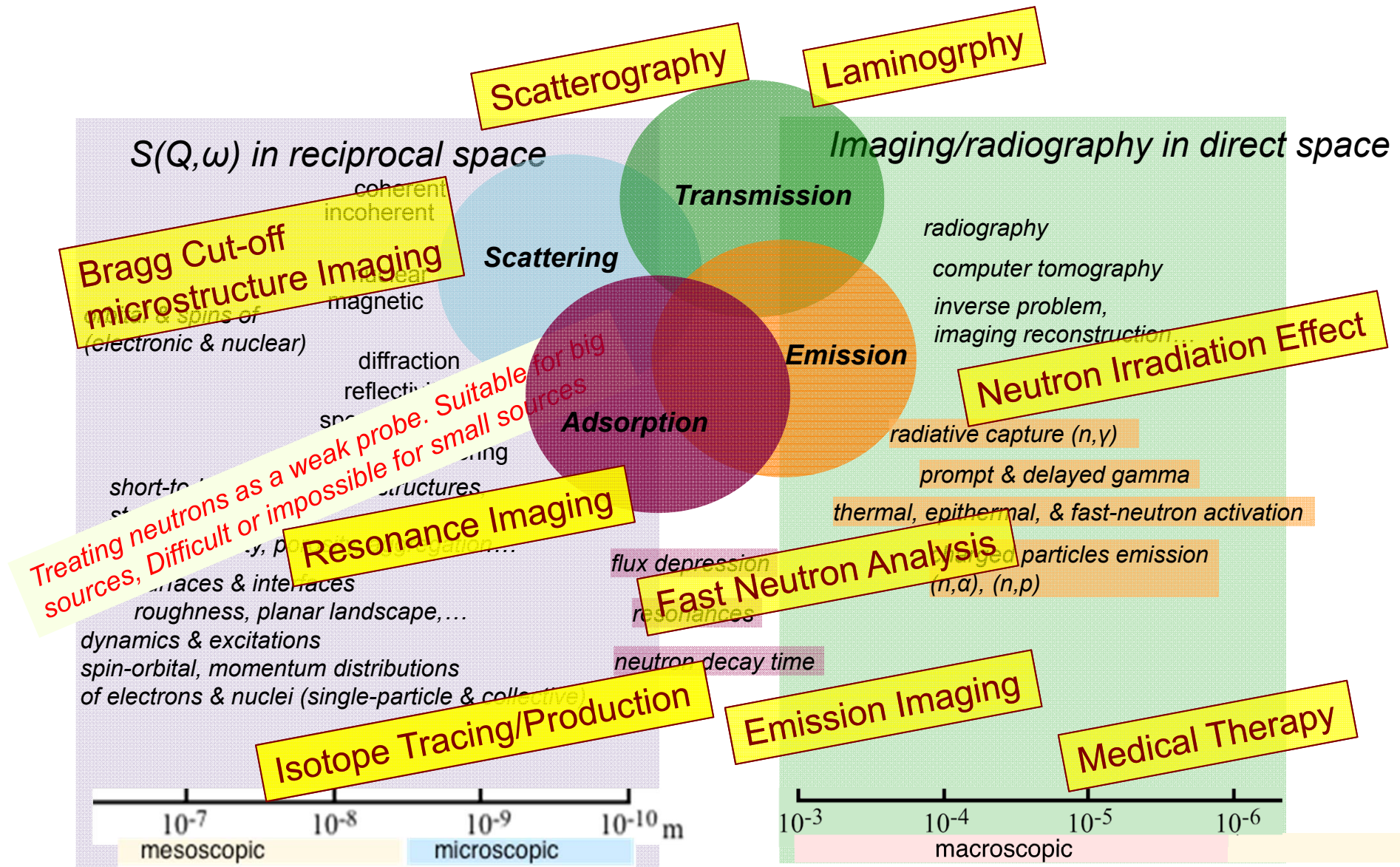
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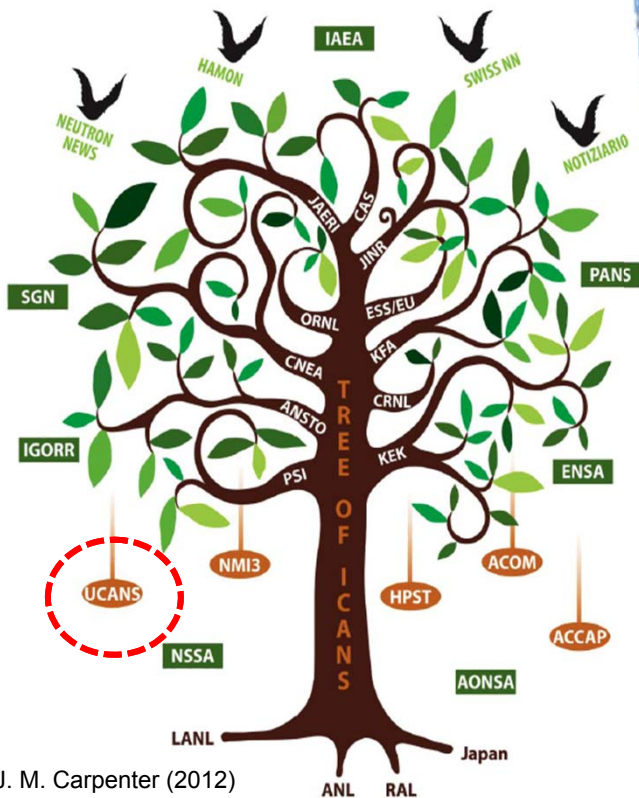
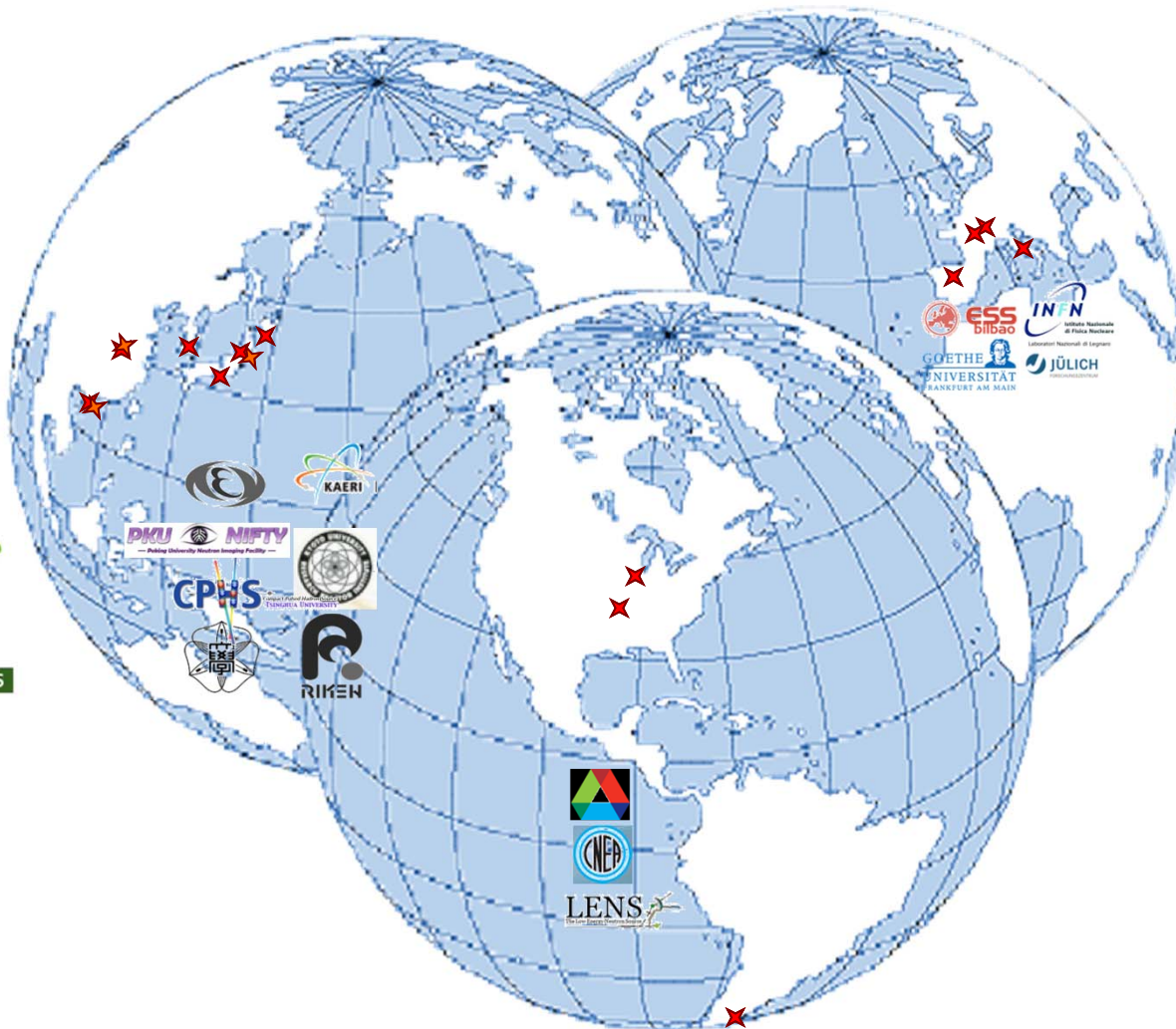
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Union for Compact Accelerator-driven Neutron Sources (UCANS) Established in 2008

UCANS

- ✧ Established in 2008
- ✧ 14 members in Americas, Asia and Europe, encompassing
 - ✧ Academia
 - ✧ Government labs
 - ✧ Industry



J. M. Carpenter (2012)

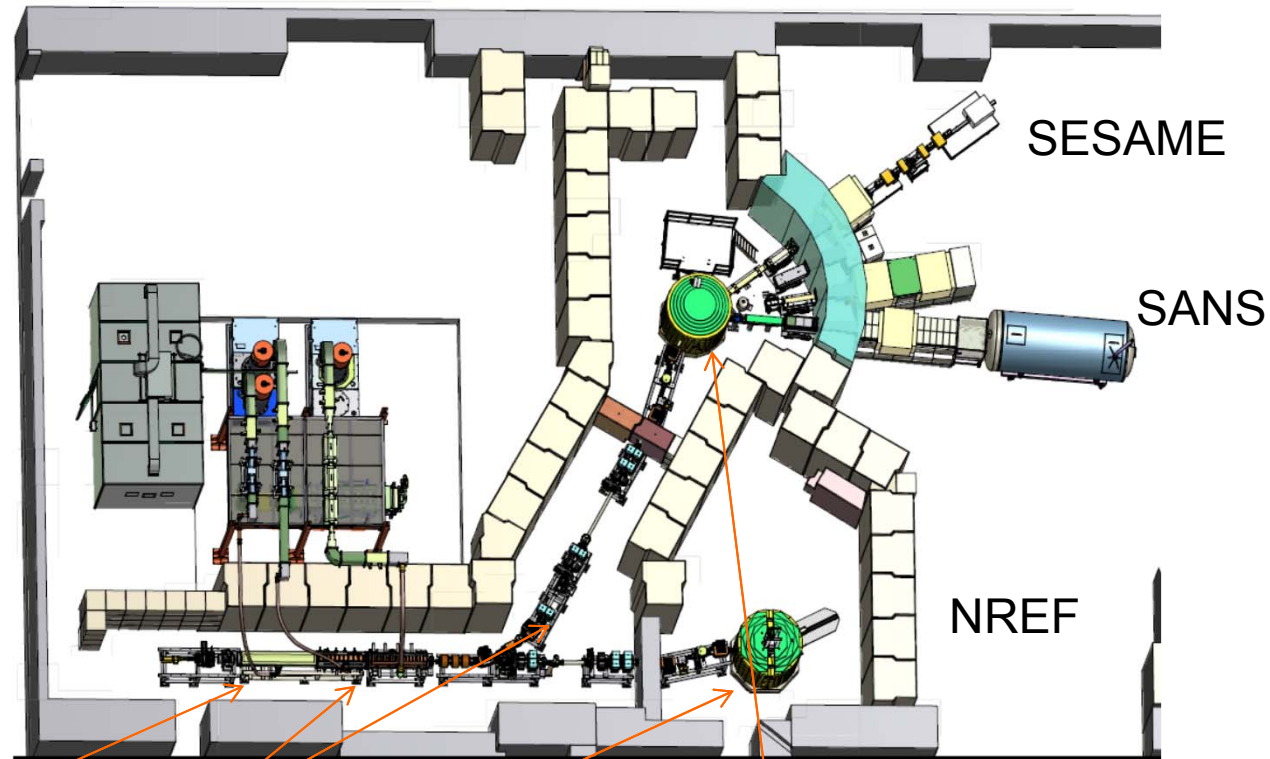
Neutron News, 25(2), 12 (2014);
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***Compact Accelerator-driven Neutron Sources (CANS)
Currently in Operation or under Development***

There is an active CANS community

The Low-Energy Neutron Source (LENS)

Indian University, Bloomington, USA



Proton RFQ + 2 linacs	Target station 1	Target station 2	Major activities
13 MeV, 25 mA (peak) $< \sim 4 \text{ kW}$ Long pulse, width 0.6 ms, 20 Hz	Be(p, n) PE/PE w Cd/none $\sim 2 \times 10^{10} \text{ n/cm}^2/\text{s}$	Be(p, n) Methane 4K $\sim 1 \times 10^{13} \text{ n/s}$	TS1: radiation effects, imaging TS2: SANS, spin polarized reflectometry Detector/optics/moderator R&D Education

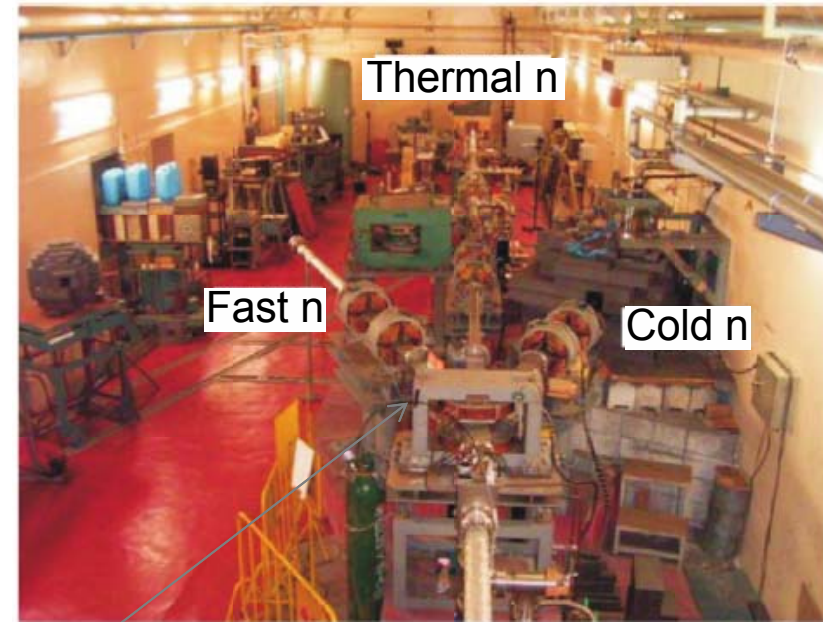
The Hokkaido University Neutron Source (HUNS)

Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan



Electron linac

35 MeV, 30 μ A (50 ps)
1kW
Short pulse, width 10ns-3 μ s
50 or 100 Hz



Target station

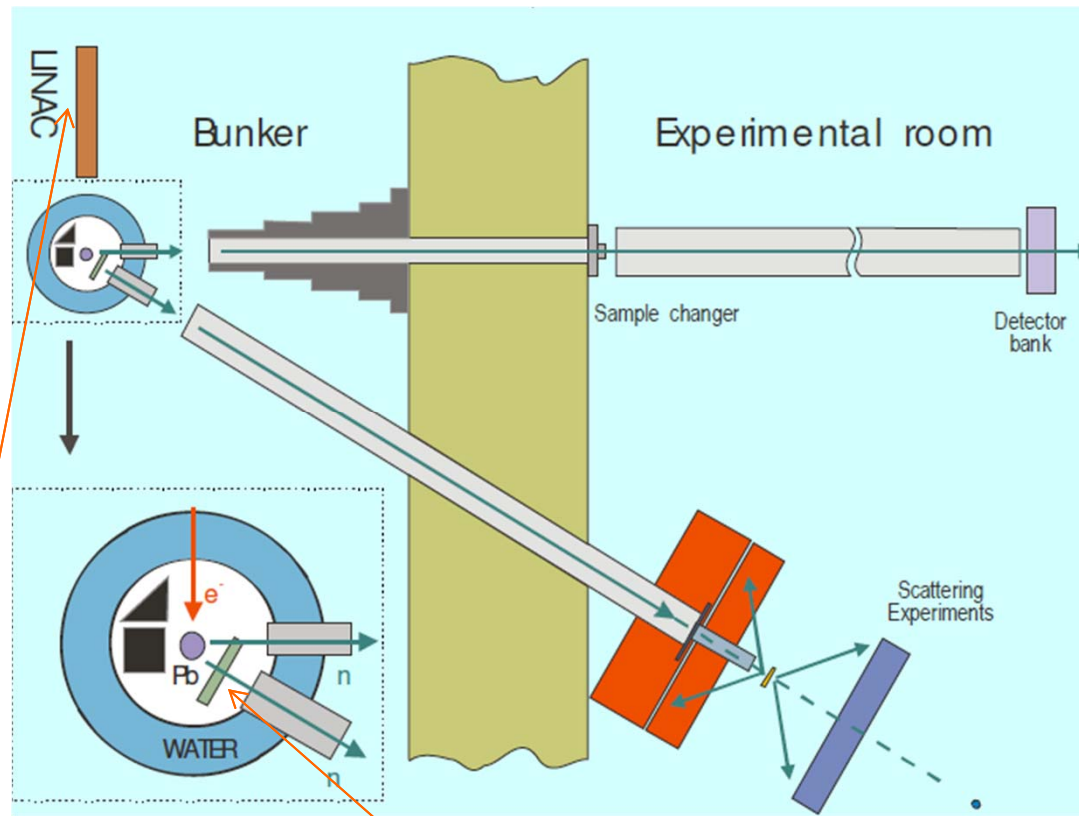
(e, X), (X,n)
water/coupled methane
 1.6×10^{12} n/s

Major activities

Radiation effects, imaging
Detector/device/moderator R&D
Education
Small-to-wide angle diffraction

The Bariloche Electron-linac-based Neutron Source

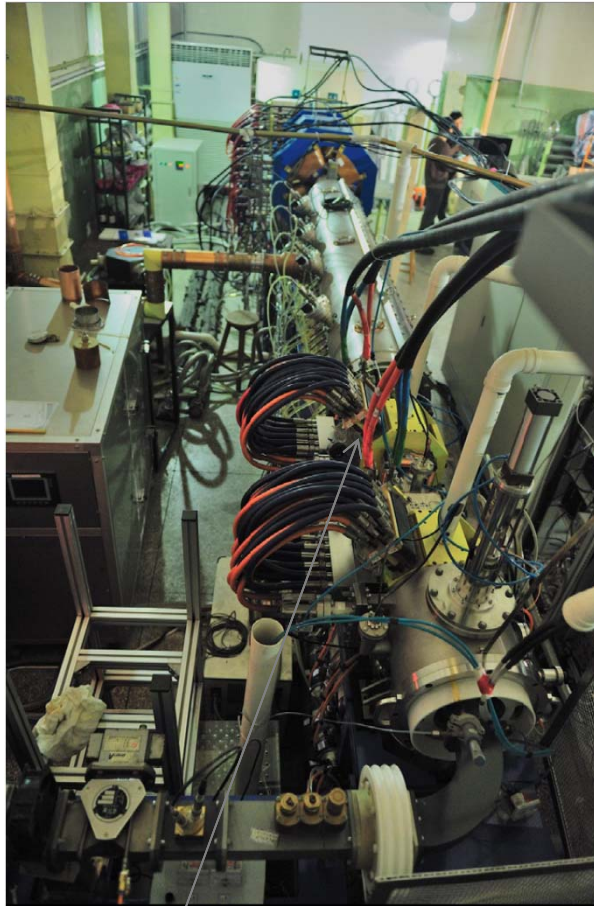
Bariloche, Argentina



Electron linac	Target station	Major activities
25 MeV, 25-30 μA Short pulse, width 1.4 μs up to 100 Hz	(e, X), (X,n) PE/ mesitylene@77K $\sim 6 \times 10^{11}$ n/s	Total cross section measurements Diffraction, DINS Device/moderator R&D Education

Peking University Neutron Imaging Facility (PKUNIFTY)

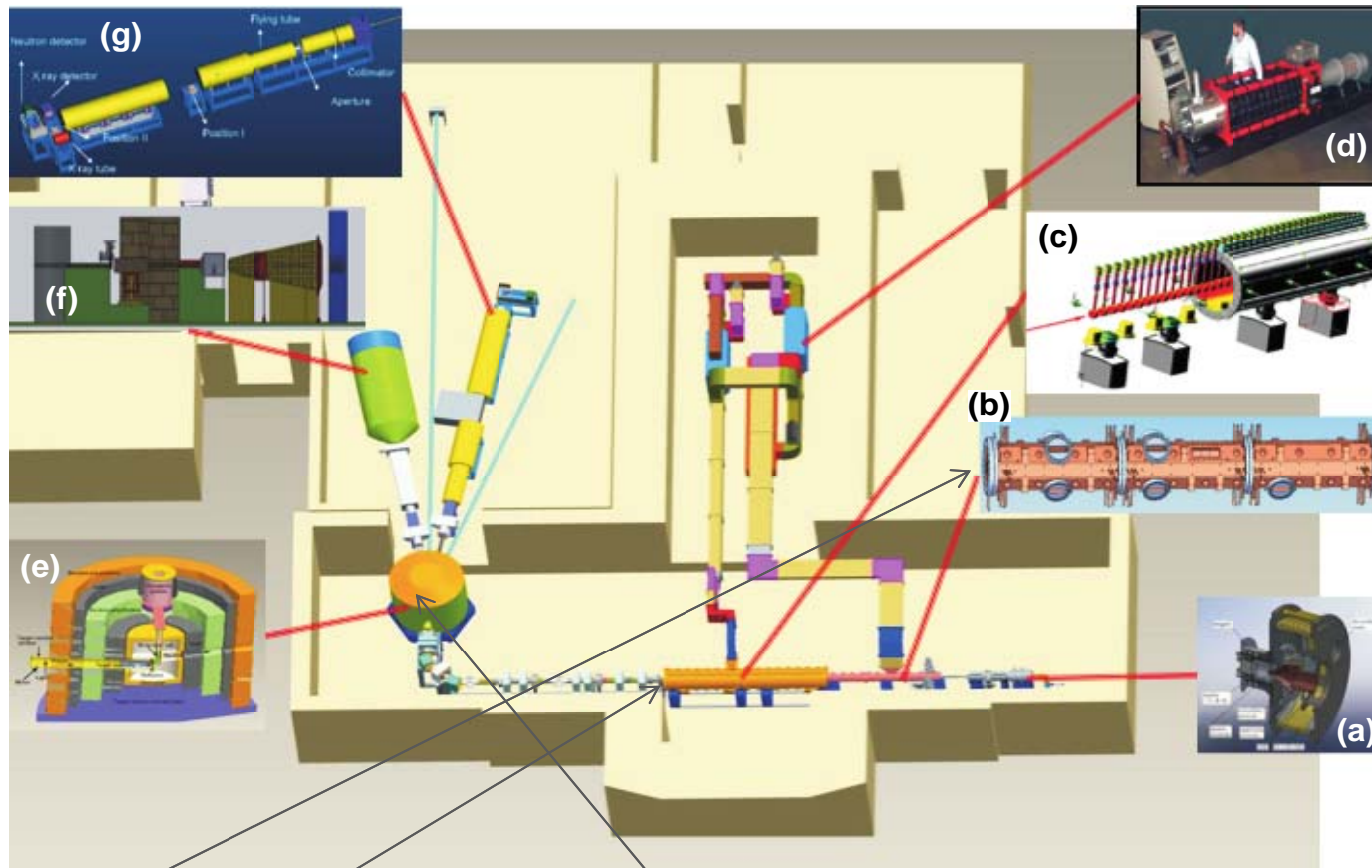
Beijing, China



RFQ linac	Target station	Major activities
Deuterons, 2 MeV, 40mA (peak) Long pulse, width 0.015-0.8 ms for <10-40 Hz; Normal operation 20Hz, width 0.6ms	Be(d,n) PE + H ₂ O 3×10^{12} n/s	Imaging, cross section measurements Education

The Compact Pulsed Hadron Source (CPHS)

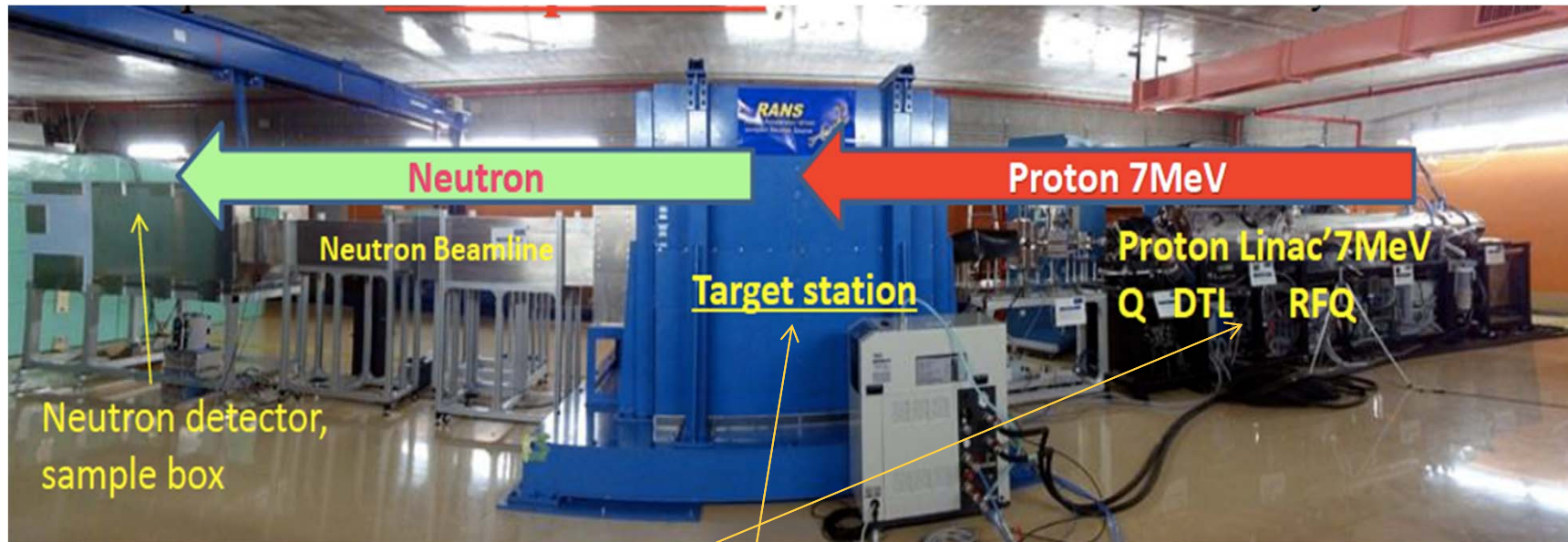
Tsinghua University, Beijing, China



Proton RFQ + 1 linac	Target station	Major activities
3MeV(initial) 13 MeV(final), 16KW 50 mA (peak), 1.25 mA (average) Long pulse, width 0.5 ms, 50 Hz	Be(p, n) PE(initial), Solid methane (final) $\sim 5 \times 10^{13}$ n/s	Imaging, SANS Detector/device R&D Education

RIKEN Accelerator-driven Neutron Source (RANS)

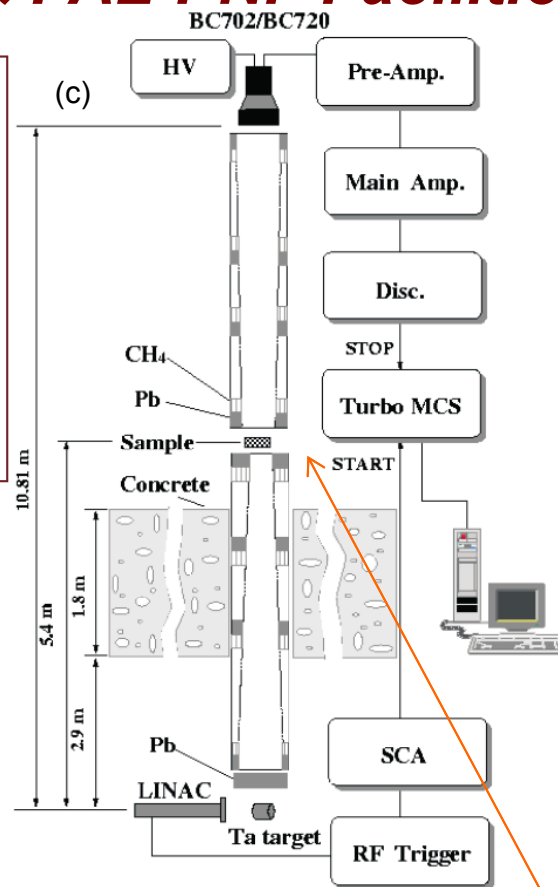
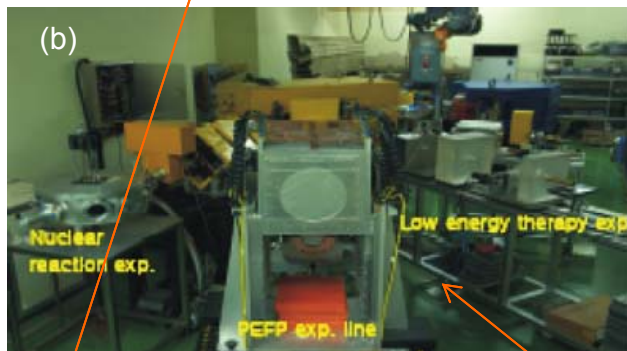
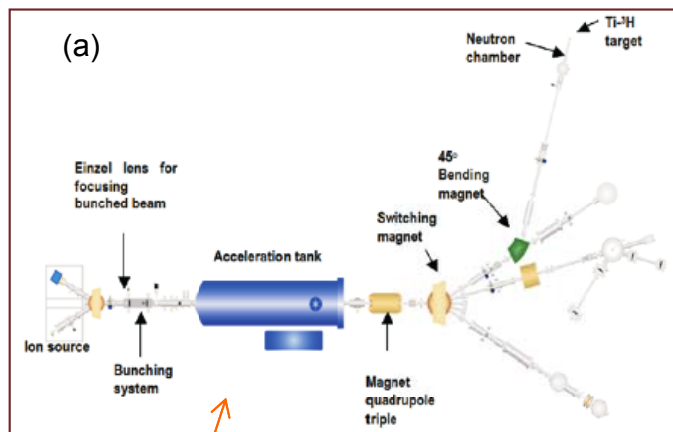
Tokyo, Japan



Proton RFQ + 1 linac	Target station	Major activities
7 MeV, 16KW 10 mA (peak), 100 μ A (average) Long pulse, width 0.5 ms, 20 Hz	Be(p, n) PE(initial), cold mesitylene (final) $\sim 1 \times 10^{12}$ n/s	Imaging, industrial applications Fast neutron interrogation

The KIGAM, MC-50, & PAL-PNF Facilities

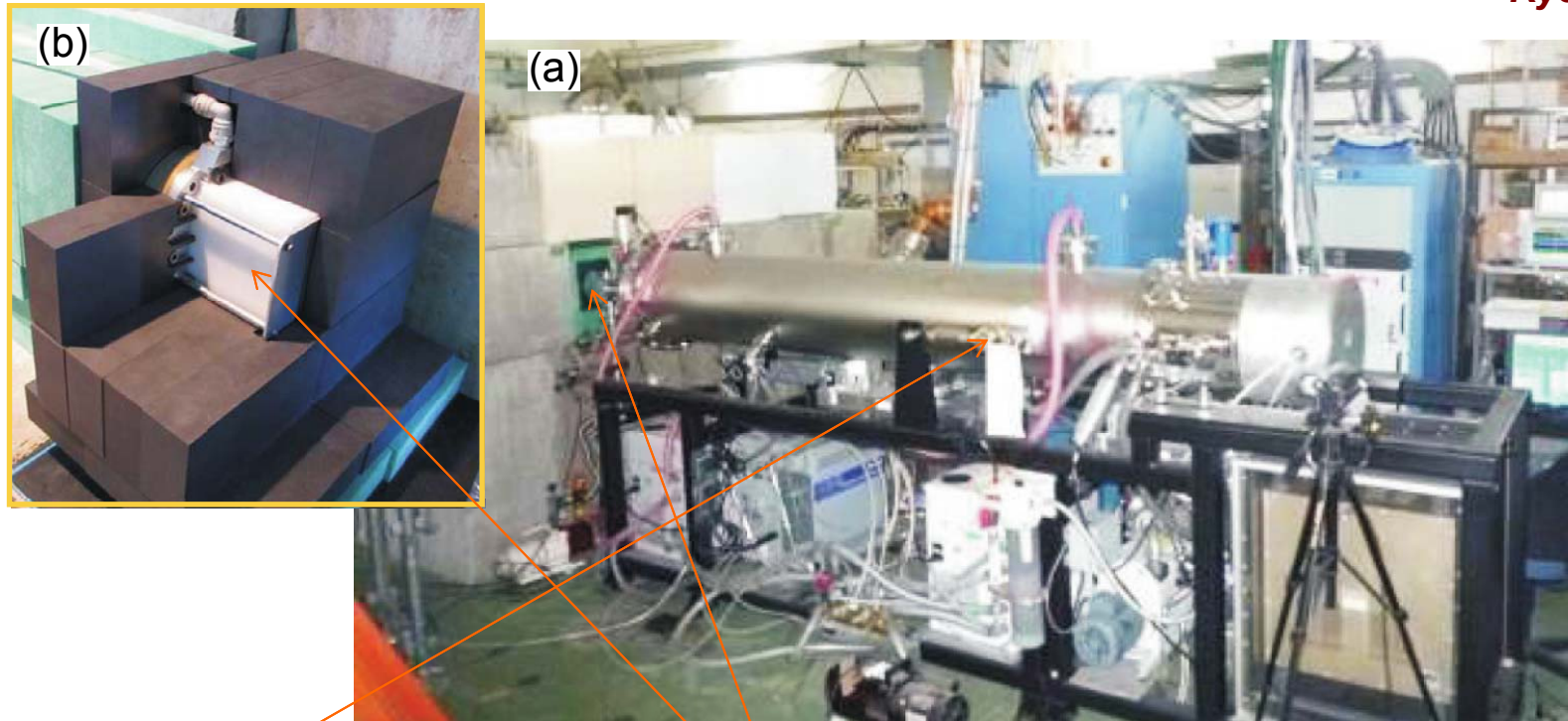
S. Korea



KIGAM	MC-50	PAL-PNF
1.7 MV tandem accelerator Pulsed: 4 MHz, width 1-2 ns $^3\text{H}(p,n)^3\text{He}$: selective mono-energies 0.144-2.5 MeV, 10^2 - 10^3 n/cm ² /s Fast neutrons capture and elastic cross section measurements, education	MC-50 cyclotron (Scantronics) Protons: 20-51 MeV/60μA Deuteron: 10-25 MeV/30μA Neutrons: from Be(p, n) Fast neutron irradiation, therapy, cross section measurements	80-MeV e-linac, 30-60 mA (peak) Pulsed: width 1-2 μs, 30 Hz Water-cooled Ta Target ~ 2×10^{12} n/s (calc.) Cross section measurements Education

Kyoto University Accelerator-driven Neutron Source (KUANS)

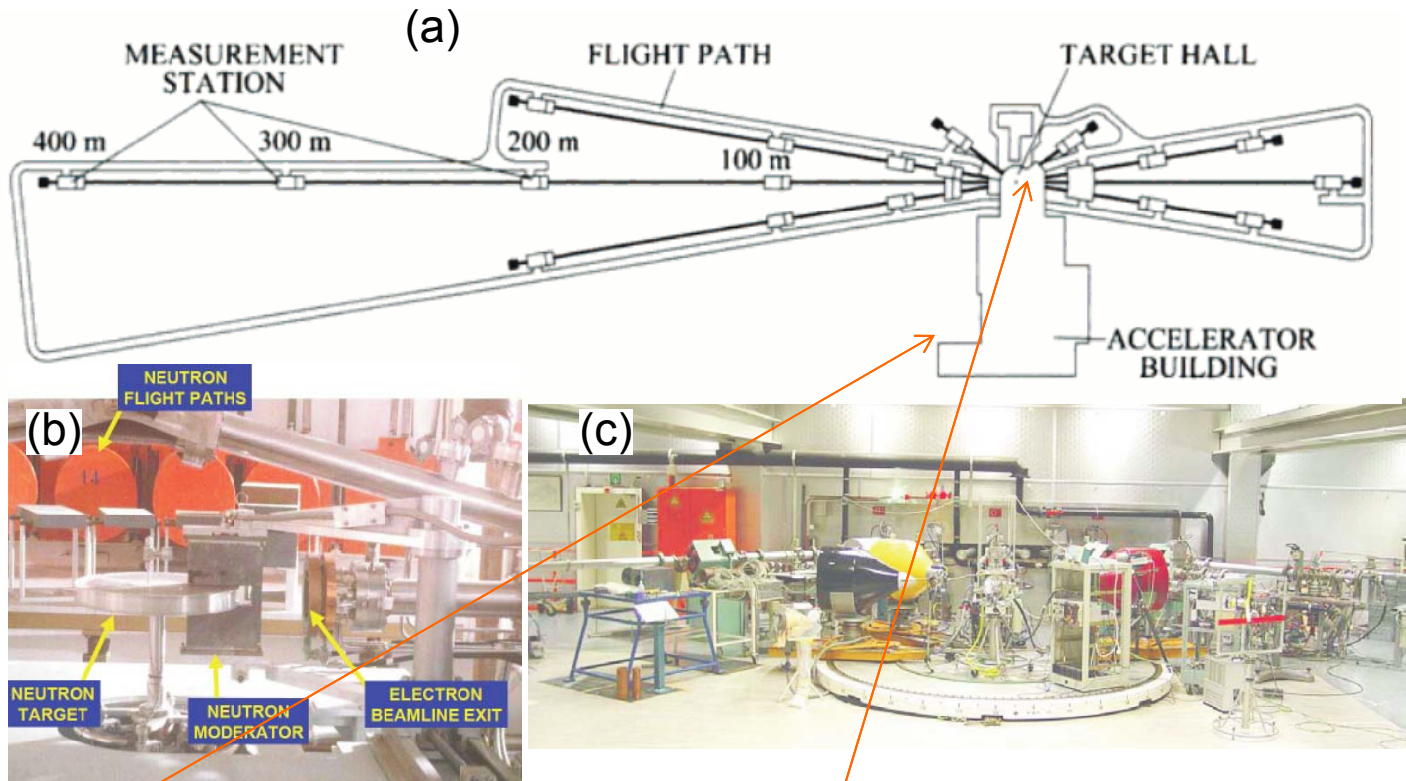
Kyoto, Japan



Proton RFQ (AccSys Tech. Inc.)	Target station	Major activities
3.5 MeV, 16KW 10 mA (peak), 100 μ A (average) Long pulse, width 0.03-0.2 ms, 20-200 Hz	Be(p, n) PE, ambient $\sim 1 \times 10^{11}$ n/s (calc.)	Imaging, detector development, education

The Geel Electron LINear Accelerator Facility (GELINA)

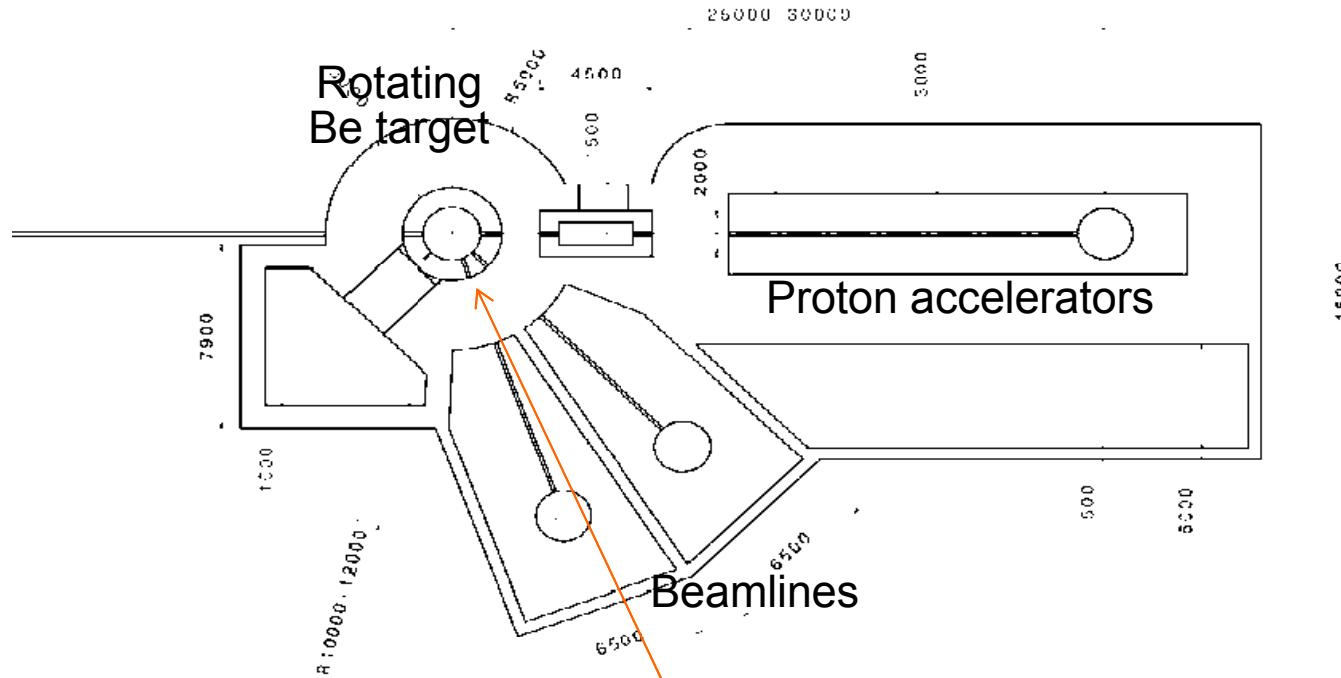
Belgium



7-MV de Graaff accelerator	Target Station	Major activities
Li(p,n), T(p,n), D(d,n), & T(d,n) 30 mA(max), 0.1-10 & 13-21 MeV 3×10^8 n/s @ 2MeV, 30 μ A Short pulse, width < 1ns, rep. time 330ns	140 MeV, rotating U target, 4.7–75 μ A water moderator Short pulse, width 1ns, 50-800 Hz $1.6 \times 10^{12} - 2.5 \times 10^{13}$ n/s	Total & partial cross section measurements Inelastic scattering, transmission, capture Nuclear data

The ESS-Bilbao Project

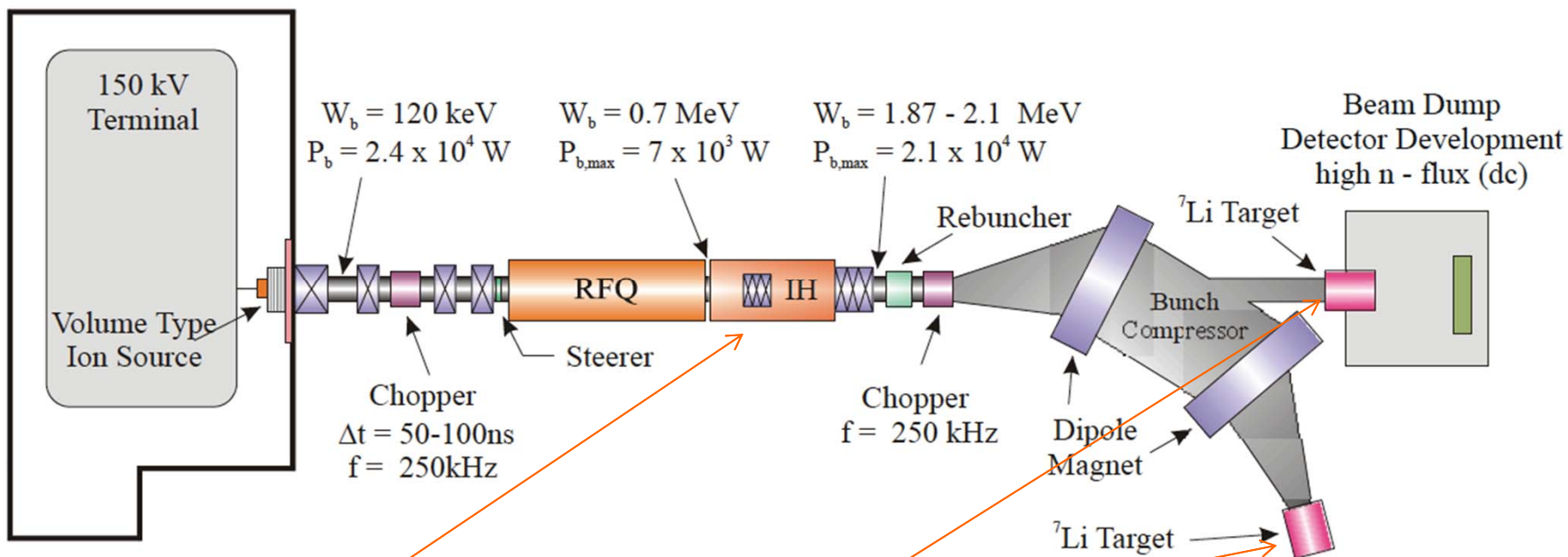
Bilbao, Spain



Proton linac	Target station	Major activities
50 MeV, 16KW 2.25 mA (average), 20 Hz Long pulse, width 1.5 ms	Be(p, n) Solid methane with water premoderator $\sim 1 \times 10^{15}$ n/s (calc.)	SANS, moderator and neutron- scattering component testing

The Frankfurt Neutron Source (FRANZ)

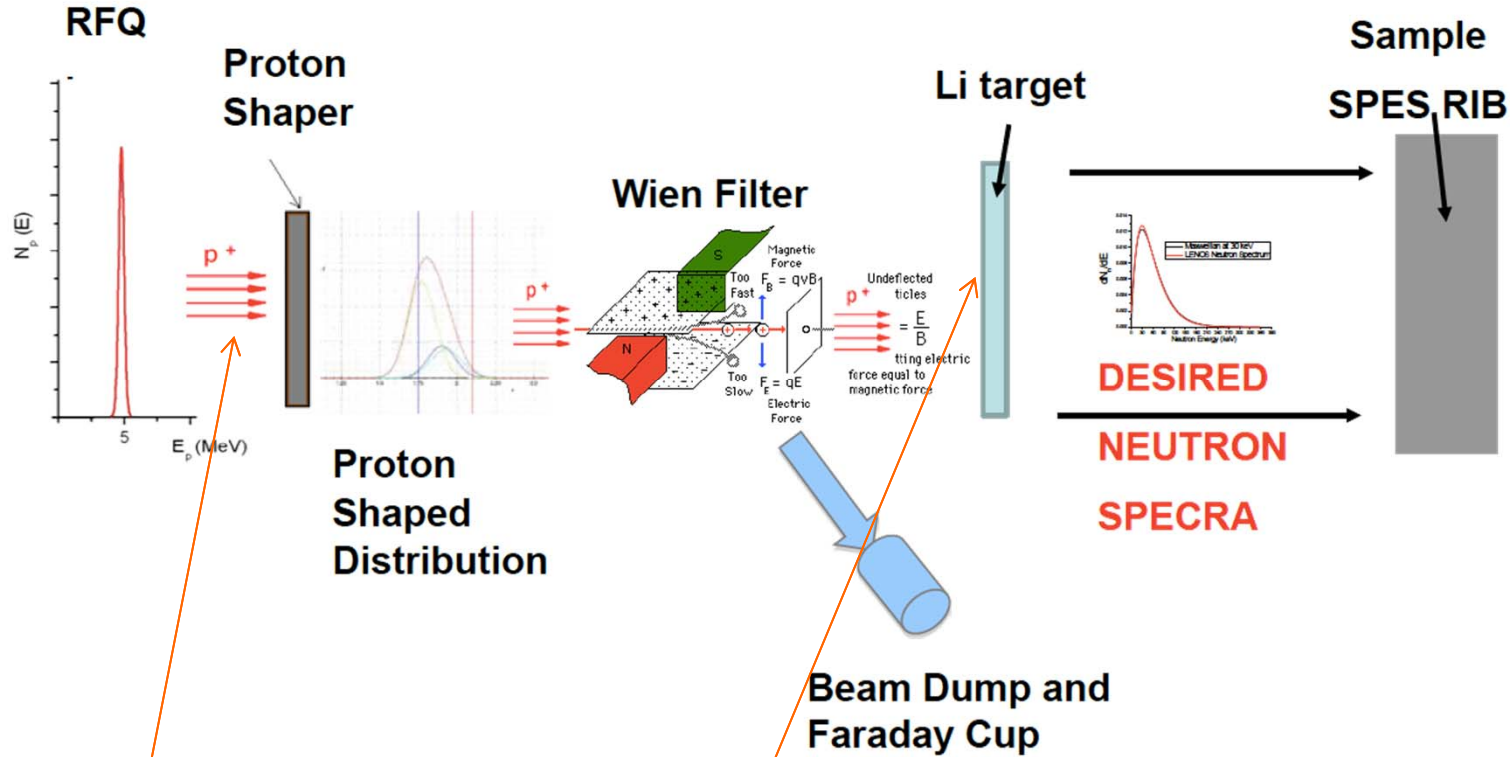
Stern-Gerlach-Zentrum, Germany



Proton linac	Target station	Major activities
1.87-2.1 MeV, 16KW 200 mA dc, 250 kHz Short pulse, width 1 ns	Li(p, n) Neutron energies 1-200 keV Pulsed beam $\sim 10^7\text{ n/cm}^2/\text{s}$ @ 0.8m Straight beam $\sim 10^8\text{ n/cm}^2/\text{s}$	Nuclear astrophysics Materials research, radiography Detector development Education

The Legnaro NeutrOn Source (LENOS)

Italy



Proton RFQ	Target station	Major activities
5 MeV, 16KW 50 mA, 20 Hz CW (1 st phase), pulsed (2 nd phase), width 2 ns, 125 kHz	Li(p, n) No moderator 3×10^{14} n/s (calc.)	Nuclear astrophysics, nuclear data Neutron activation, Imaging

Prospective CANS Projects Elsewhere

- The *Neutron Time-of-Flight (NTOF)* facility located at CERN Geneva, Switzerland
- The *Gaertner Linear Accelerator (LINAC)* Laboratory at RPI, USA
- *DANCE* (<http://wnr.lanl.gov/dance/>), Los Alamos
- The *Oak Ridge Electron Linear Accelerator (ORELA)*
- *Frascati Neutron Generator*, ENEA-Frascati
- Neutron time-of-flight experiments at *ELBE*
- *keV-neutron capture cross sections* at TIT, Japan
- *TSL*, the Uppsala (n,p) facility
- *Frascati Neutron Generator (FNG)*, Italy
- *IThemba* neutron source, South Africa
- The *Tiara neutron source*, Japan
- THE *ELBE-Project* AT Dresden-Rossendorf

Education and Mentoring

- 1 Exchange of scientists, engineers and students
- 2 Include CANS in neutron schools and workshops
- 3 Books about CANS:

Neutron Scattering Applications and Techniques (Springer)

Series Editors: Ian Anderson, Alan Hurd, & Robert McGreevy

Upcoming volumes:

Compact Accelerator Driven Neutron Sources: Physics, Technology and Applications

Editors: David V. Baxter (Indiana U), Michihiro Furusaka (Hokkaido U), & Chun Loong

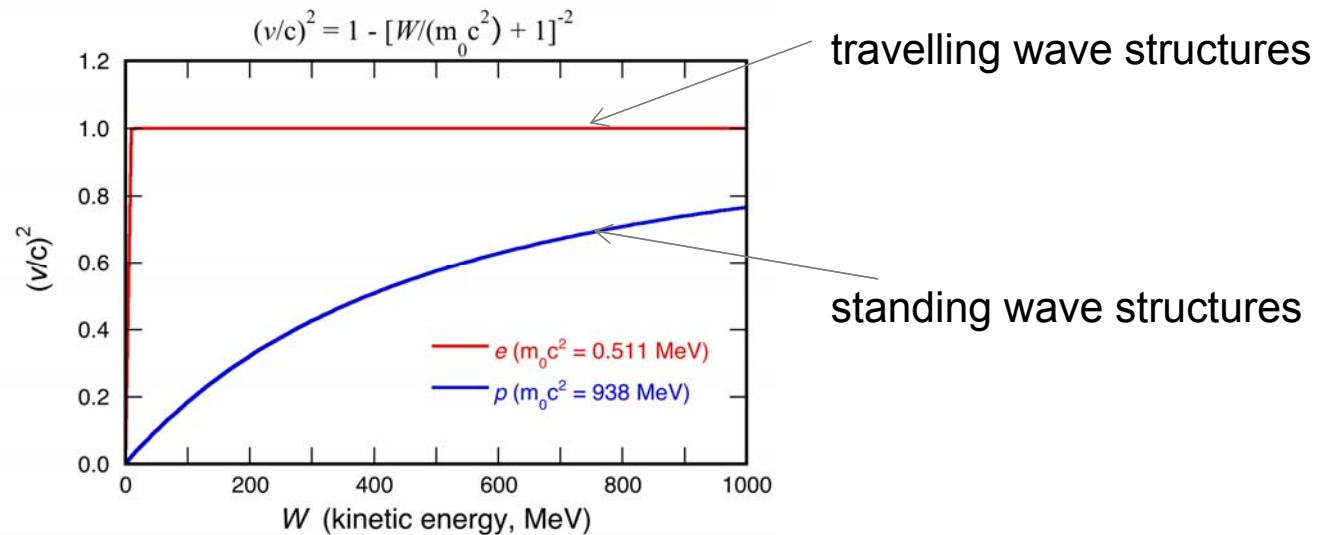
Neutron Experimental Methods in Cultural Research

Editors: Nikolay Kardjilov (Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin) and Giulia Festa (U Rome)

How Do CANSs work?

Accelerator Structures

Accelerators: Electron Versus Ions



e-linac: acceleration to $v \approx c$ achieved near the injection entrance, remaining accelerator structures are identical → simple

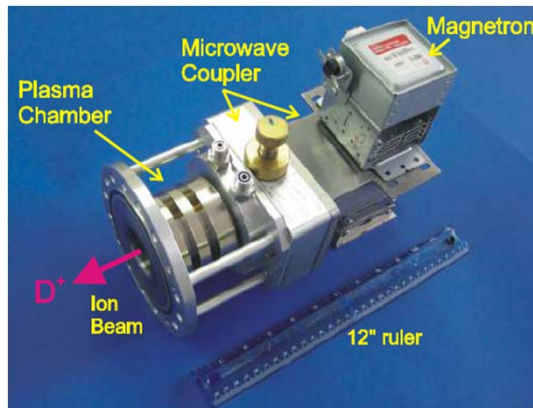
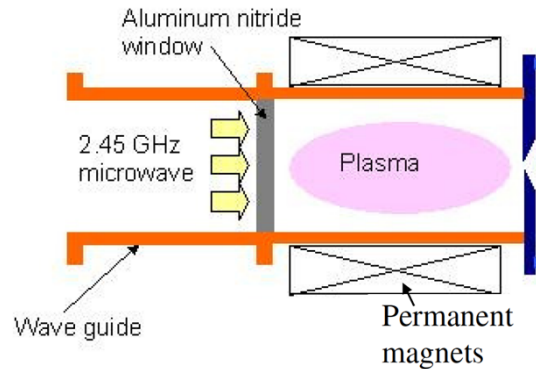
p (and ion) accelerators: need different accelerator structures to maximize the energy transfer to the particles from the accelerating fields (condition of synchronicity) → tricky & costly

Another important distinction is **synchrotron radiation** emitted by an ultra-relativistic particle (along a bent orbit); it affects an electron beam much more than a proton beam ($\sim m_0^{-4}$).

CANS has a merit of avoiding the complex and expensive accelerator structures (and shielding). Here, only consider ion sources, and the basic linear accelerator components.

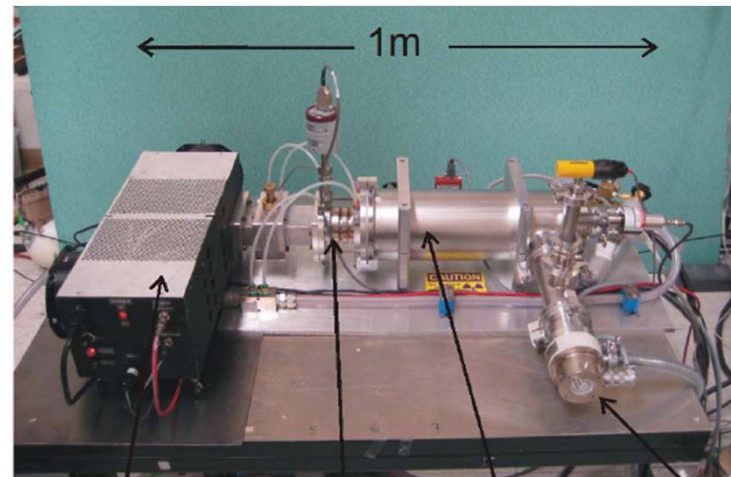
Electron Cyclotron Resonance Ion Sources (ECRIS)

There are many kinds of ion sources. ECRIS makes use of a guiding microwave power to transfer energy to electrons which ionize the fed-in gas atoms, forming a plasma. A magnetic field B is applied to maintain a resonance condition for the confinement of the charges q at the angular cyclotron frequency $\omega = qB/\gamma m_0$



Ji et al. (2010)

2.45 GHz microwave ($B=0.0875$ T) is chosen for the compact setup. ECRIS forms the basis for **neutron generators** using the D-T & D-D reactions:



Magnetron & Pulse Electronics

ECR Plasma Ion Source

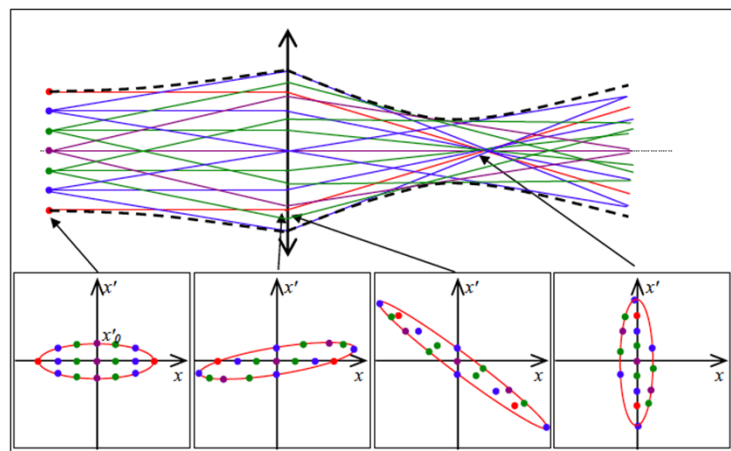
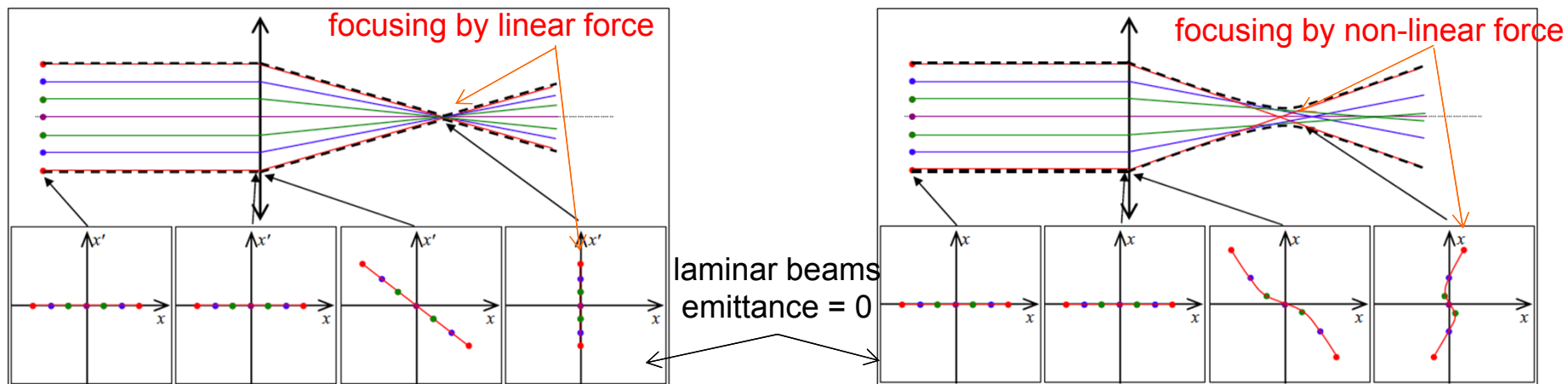
emission of fast neutrons

Turbo Pump



Emittance

The motion of a bunch of 10^6 – 10^{10} particles is represented in 6D-phase space: $(x, p_x=x', y, p_y=y', z, p_z=z')$. We are interested in the projection of the hyper-ellipsoid on the longitudinal and transverse planes.



emittance > 0

Liouville theorem

Emittance is conserved under conservative forces (including non-linear forces); it depends only on the geometrical dimensions of this phase space.

The Liouville theorem works against you if you want to inject more particles, say protons, into a phase space of the same beam such as in a storage ring.

This is circumvented by injecting H^- ions on top of the proton beam and then convert H^- to p by stripping off its electrons.

Emittance of a Real Beam: N Particles in Each Bunch

The emittance represents the phase-space volume occupied by the particles in a bunch of the beam. The higher the emittance, the lower the capacity to transport the beam parallel over a long distance and to focus it to a small size.

$$\langle w \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1, N} w_i, \quad w = \{x, y, z\} \quad \text{average position}$$

$$\langle w' \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1, N} w'_i, \quad w' = \{x', y', z'\} \quad \text{average slope}$$

$$\tilde{w} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1, N} (w_i - \langle w \rangle)^2}; \quad \tilde{w}' = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1, N} (w'_i - \langle w' \rangle)^2} \quad \text{rms size and divergence}$$

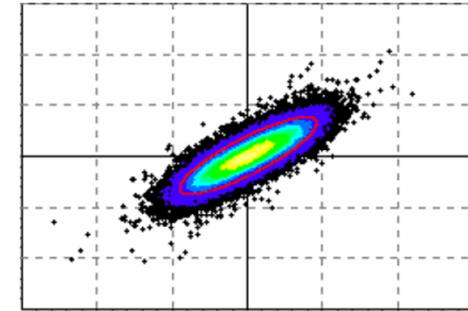
$$\tilde{\varepsilon}_w = \sqrt{\tilde{w}^2 \tilde{w}'^2 - \langle (w - \langle w \rangle) \cdot (w' - \langle w' \rangle) \rangle^2} \quad \text{rms emittance, dimension} \sim \text{surface in the } (w, w') \text{ space}$$

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}_{wn} = \beta \gamma \tilde{\varepsilon}_w \quad \text{normalized rms emittance due to longitudinal acceleration}$$

Comparing the *twiss parameters* (derived from $\tilde{\varepsilon}_{wn}$) with the *Courant - Snyder parameters*: **Beam matching**

For low-E, high current beams – normally the case for CANS, the *space charge forces* – Coulomb repulsion between particles within a bunch, if not restrained, will lead to defocusing of the beam. Furthermore, a low-E beam cannot take advantage of the *phase damping effect* – the shortening of bunching length in the longitudinal plane that occurs to a relativistic beam.

The job of an accelerator is to effectively provide controlled manipulations of the beam so as to achieve the designated energy (and time structure) in conjunction with an acceptable emittance.

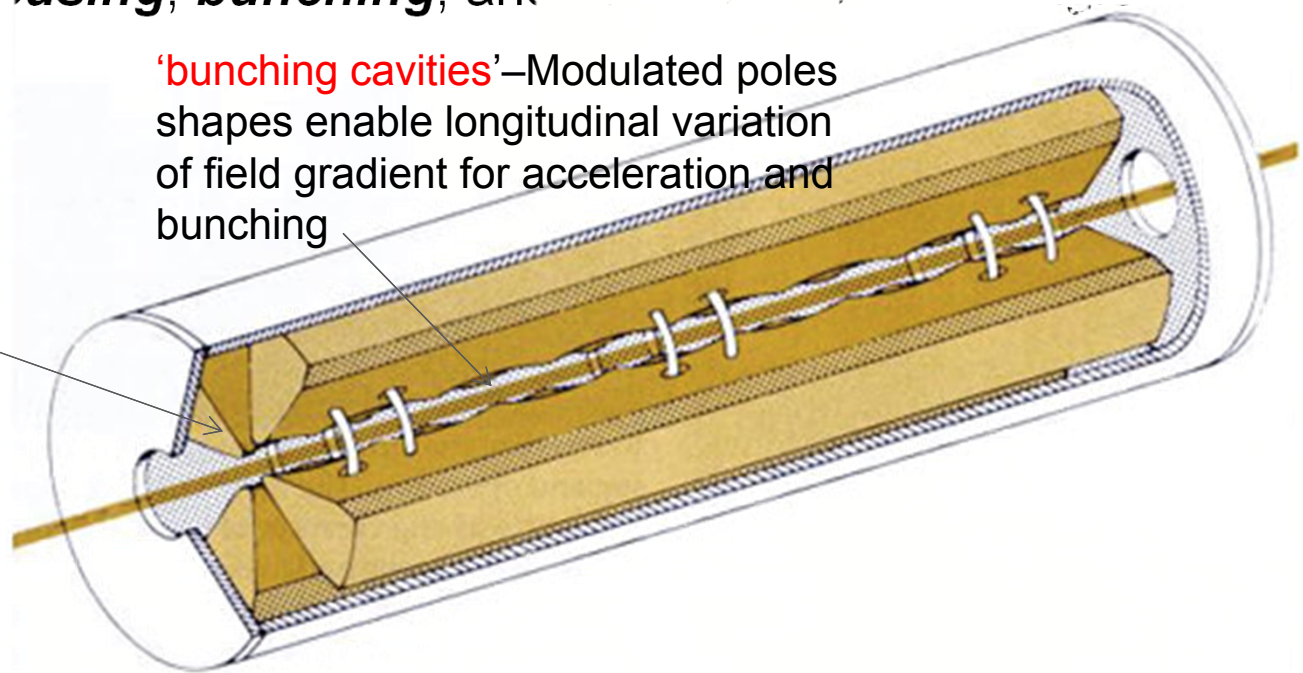


Low β Structure: Radio Frequency Quadrupole (RFQ)

Kapchinski & Teplyakov (1970). An RFQ linac provides combined functions of *electric focusing*, *bunching*, and *resonator*.

Four vanes quadrupolar resonator provides transverse electric focusing

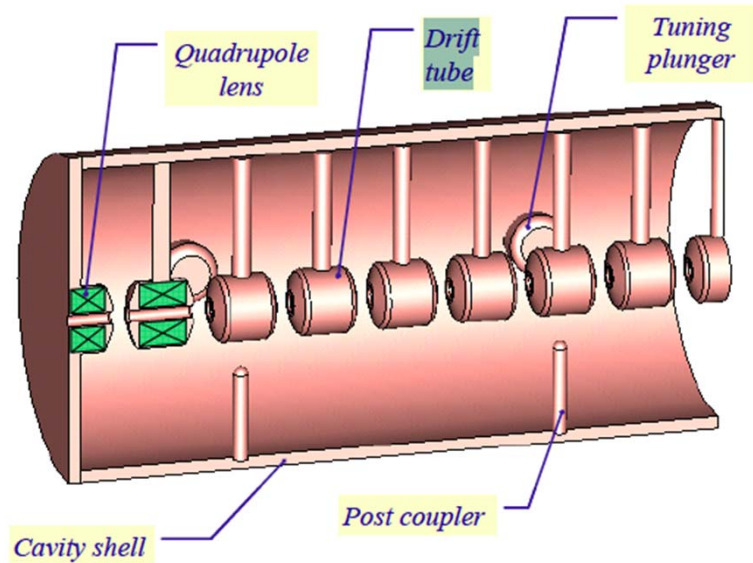
'bunching cavities'—Modulated poles shapes enable longitudinal variation of field gradient for acceleration and bunching



Accelerate protons from ~50 keV to ~3 MeV over ~3m.

Technology: precision machining of copper or copper plated parts, furnace brazing, welding and gasket mounting,...

Low β Drift Tube Linacs



In a cavity of cylindrical geometry, particles drift inside Faraday tubes and accelerate cross the gaps, driven by constant frequency (f) RF power supply under an optimized TM_{mnp} mode.

High RF frequency \rightarrow
compact structure, high
efficiency but demanding
high precision & cost, and
strong focusing condition

peak electric field	} $\sim \sqrt{f}$;	cell length	} $\sim 1/f$
RF efficiency		accelerator dimensions	
		tolerance	
		focusing effectiveness	

Technology: High-power, high-frequency RF amplifiers.

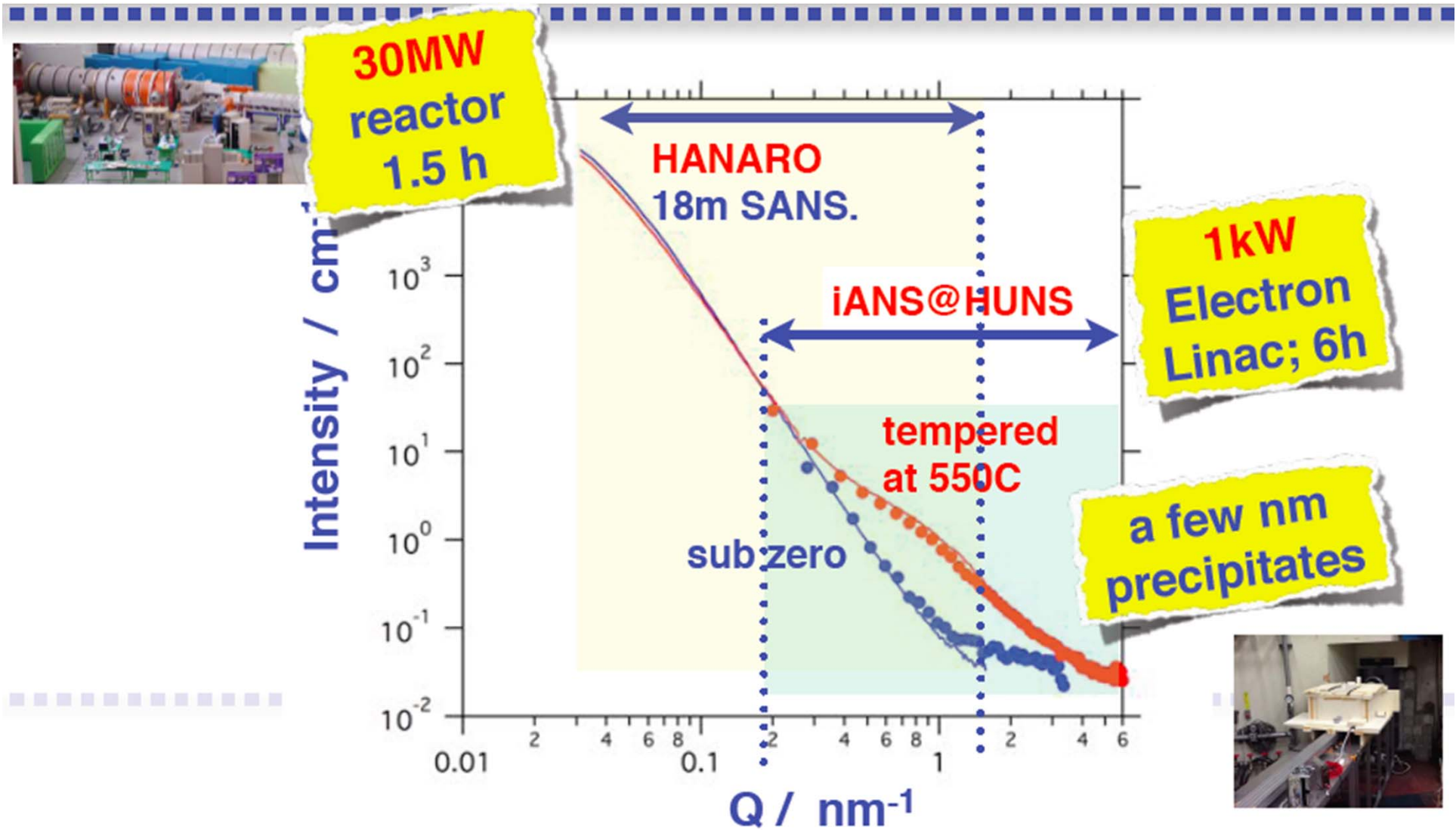
Conclusions about CANS Accelerators

- ✧ The attribute of compactness and low energy of CANS leads to significant saving in construction and operation costs.
- ✧ The entire architecture is amenable to prototyping, multiplexing, and reconfiguration for proof-of-principle to specialized R&D.
- ✧ The accelerator technology of compact neutron sources is mature and relatively straightforward.
- ✧ The linac-based structure implies a long-pulse time structure (except for e-linac machines). Bunch compression for low-E beams may be challenging.
- ✧ CANS shares the target-moderator design and beamline instrumentation common to all pulsed sources thereby offering collaborative R&D opportunities to the overarching community.

Neutron Applications of CANS

Examples of Interdisciplinary Research

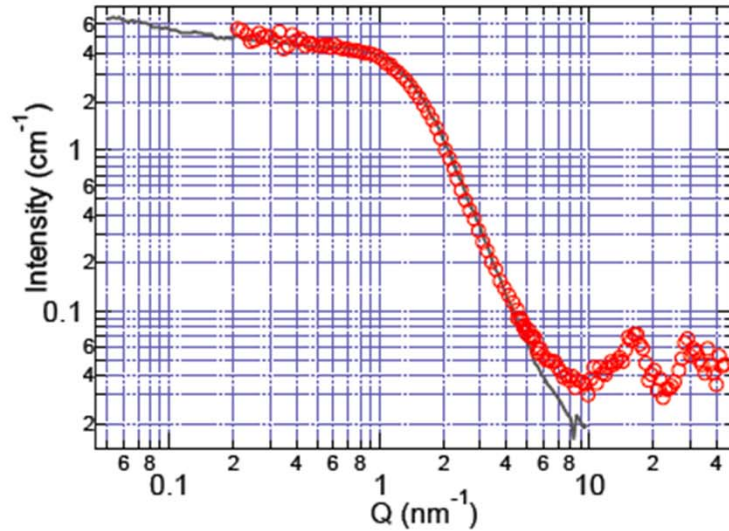
Small-Angle Scattering (SANS): Well Suited for CANS



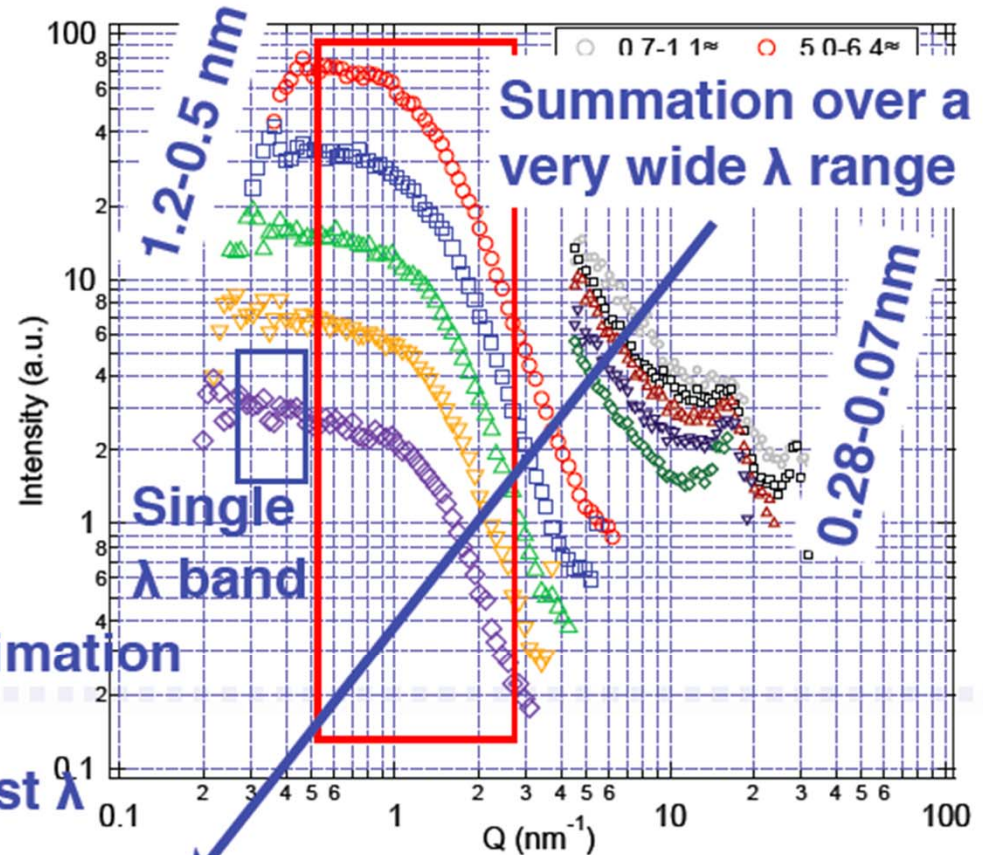
Furusaka (2015), UCANS-V

Small-Angle Scattering (SANS): Well Suited for CANS

Glassy carbon



Glassy carbon



Relaxed collimation
determined
by the longest λ

Intensity gain by pulsing

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Imaging & Radiography: Beyond Conventional Approaches

Combine tomography with thermal-neutron-induced γ -ray imaging (PGA-CT):

Allow 3D elemental analysis

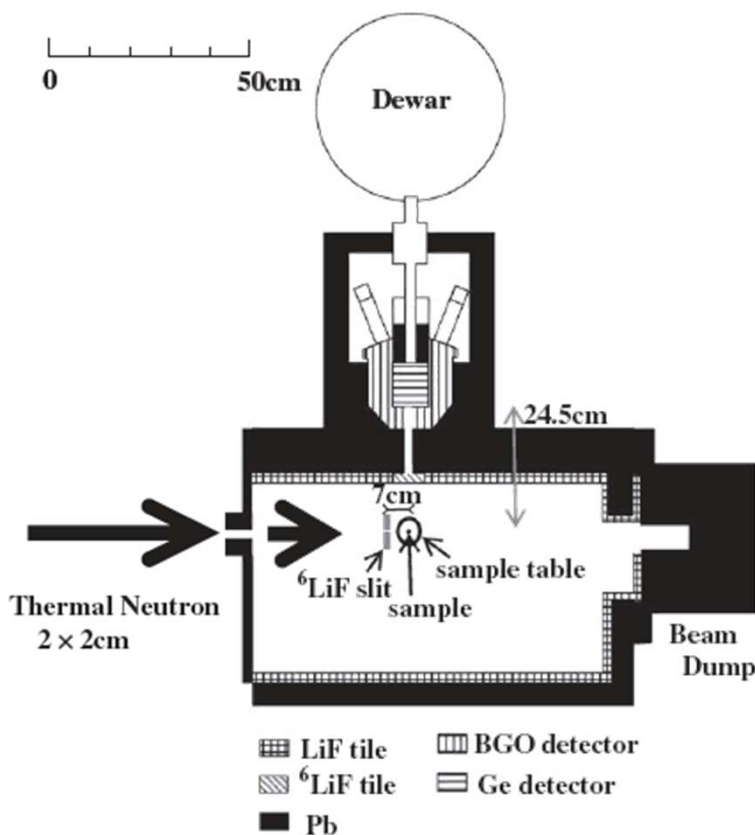


Fig. 1. Schematic view of experimental setup.

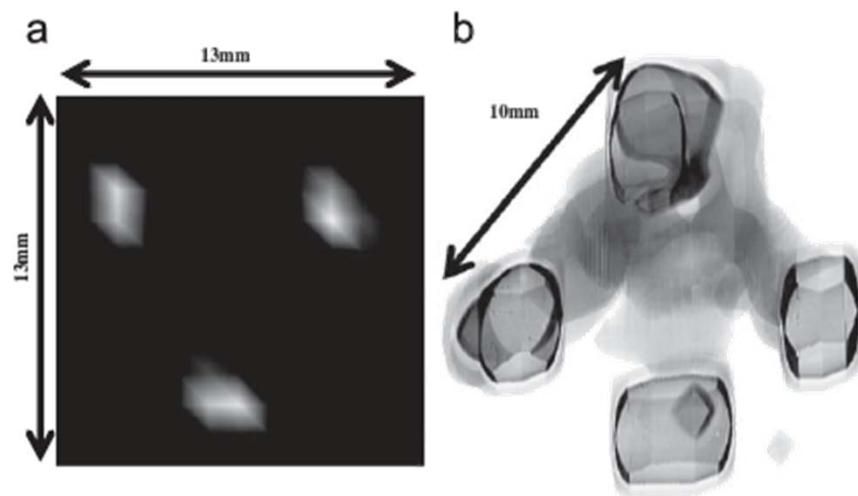
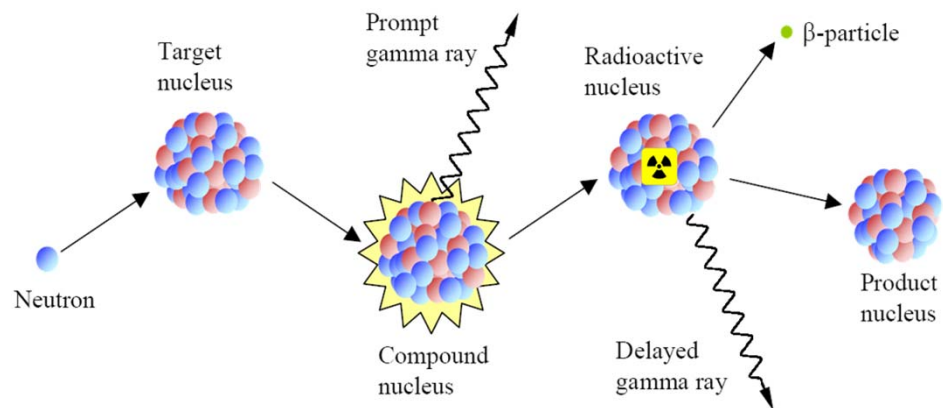


Fig. 5. The reconstruction images for a Cd sample in the form of a three-sided pyramid of 1 cm using the computerized tomography program "NIPPON". (a) A slice figure on the bottom of the sample in the X-Z plane. (b) A 3-D elemental image made by accumulations of slice figures.

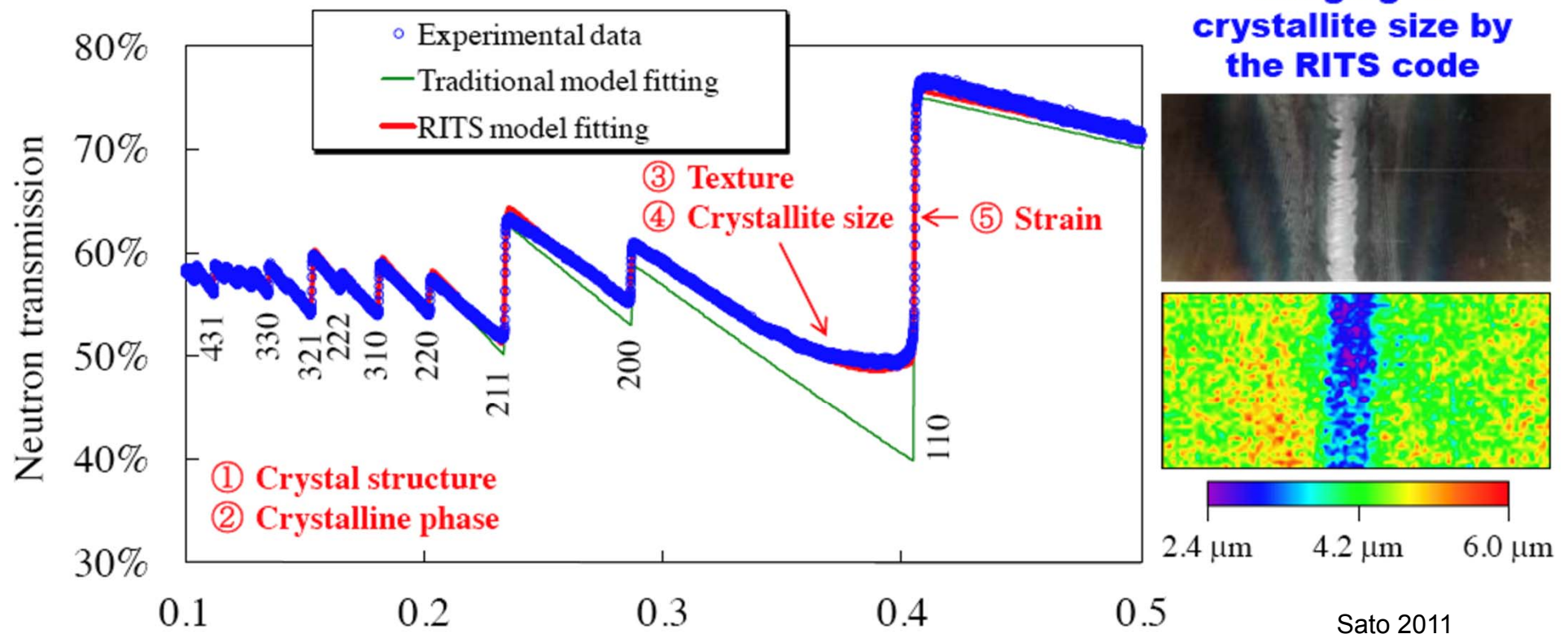
Segawa 2009

Imaging & Radiography: Beyond Conventional Approaches

Combine imaging with crystal diffraction: Rietveld imaging transmission spectra (RITS)

Allow concurrent analysis of crystal structures, crystalline phases, crystallite sizes, texture, and strain

Bragg edge transmission of α -Fe

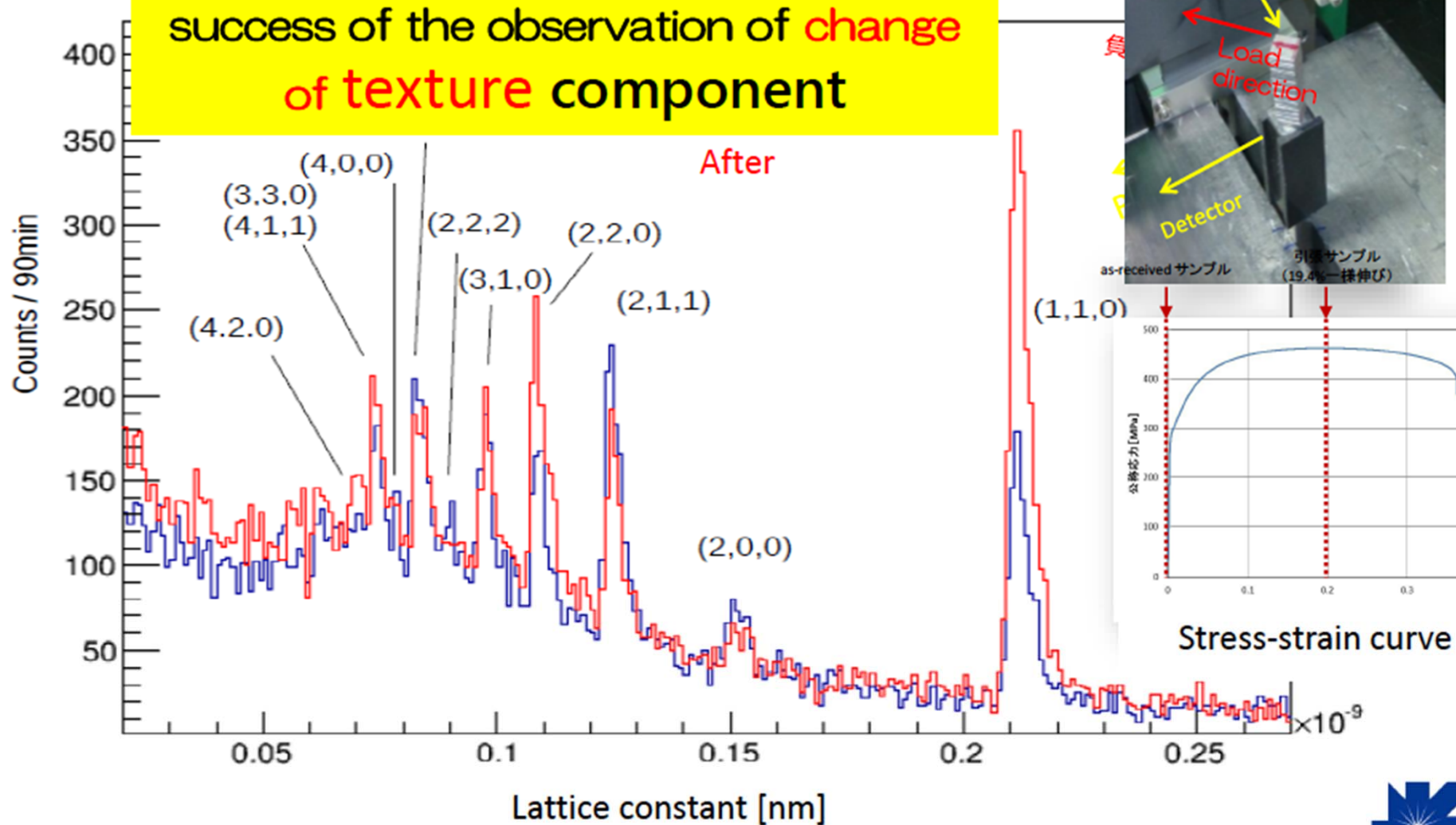


Success of the observation of texture @ RANS

JAEA H. Suzuki,
RIKEN Takamura,
Y. IKEDA

- As-receive (0%) rather strong orientation along (110)
- Under elongation along 110 orientation

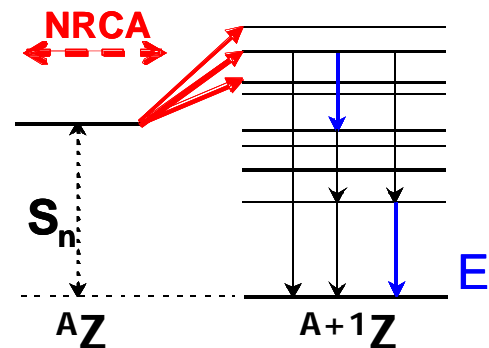
success of the observation of **change of texture component**



Imaging & Radiography: Beyond Conventional Approaches

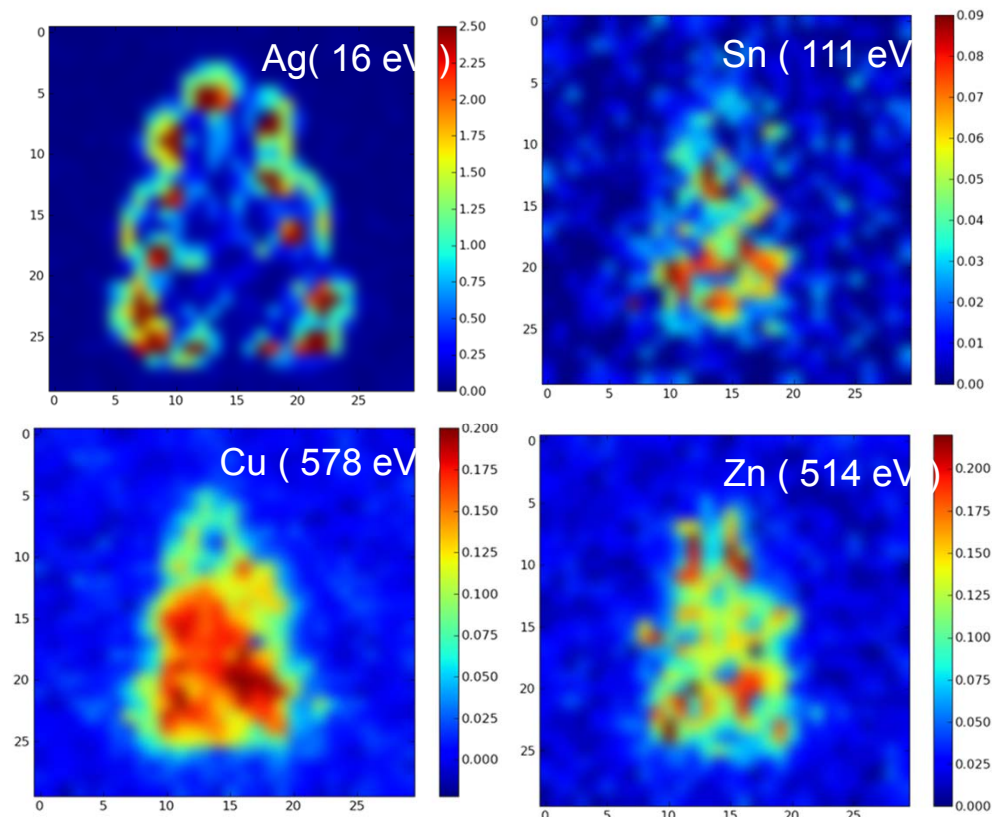
Combine imaging with epithermal neutron resonance capture analysis (NRCA):

Allow elemental analysis, significant to archaeometry: high sensitivity to Cu, Sn, Zn, As, Sb, Ag, Au, Pb,...



Original belt mount
Hungarian National
Museum, Budapest

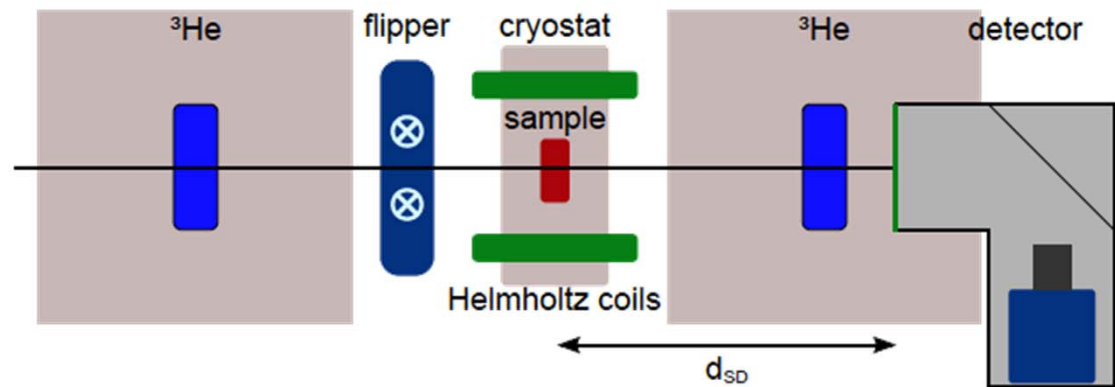
Andreani 2012



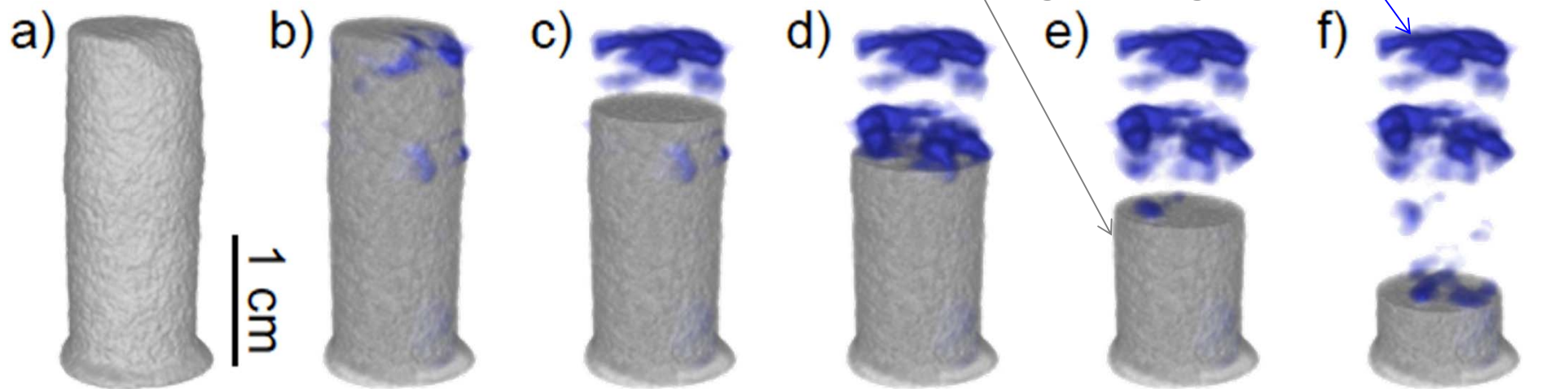
Magnetic Structures: Beyond Conventional Approaches

Combine imaging with polarization analysis of magnetic diffraction using polarized neutrons

Allow fundamental studies of quantum criticality, magnetic inhomogeneity in single crystals by depolarization imaging

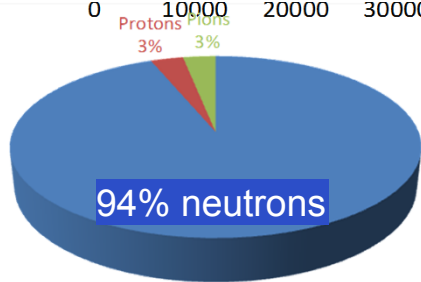
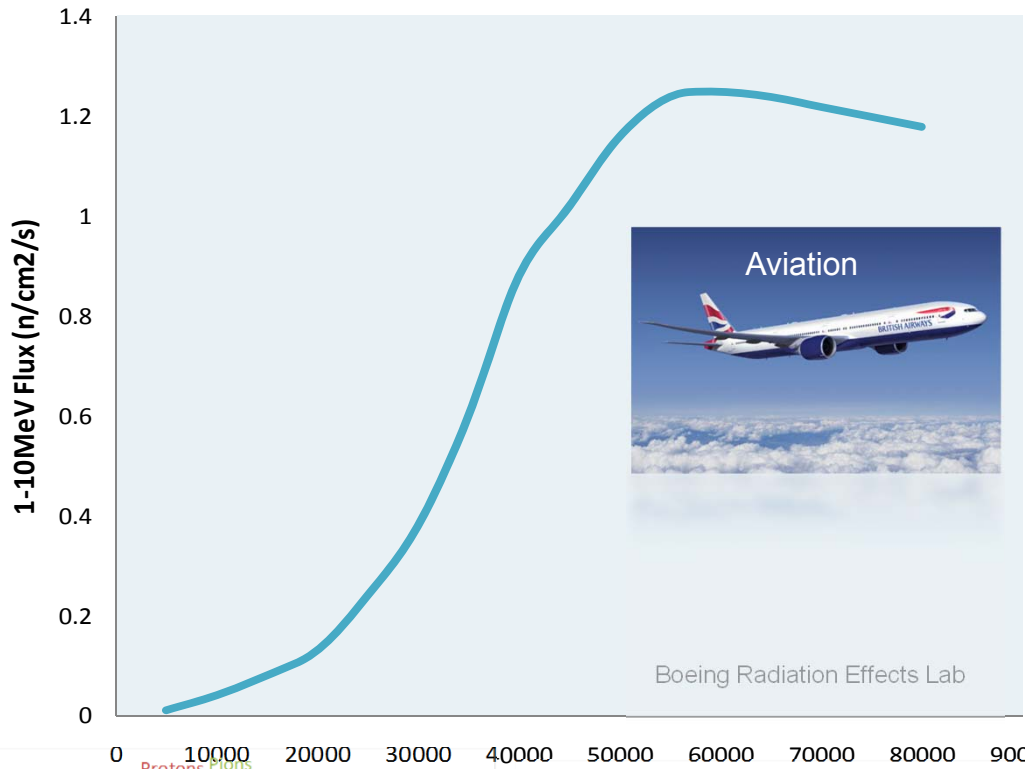


$\text{Pd}_{1-x}\text{Ni}_x$ single crystal $x=2.67\%$, $T = 8\text{K}$



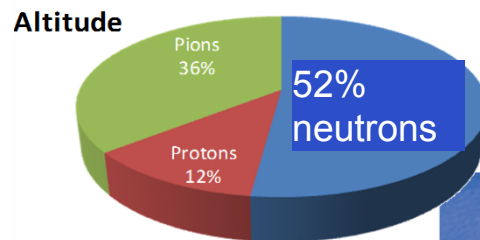
Schulz 2010

Neutron SEE is a Serious Threat at High Altitude & at Sea Level

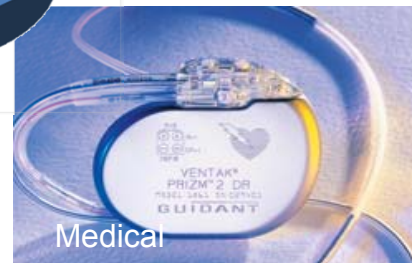


Sea Level

Zilegler 1996

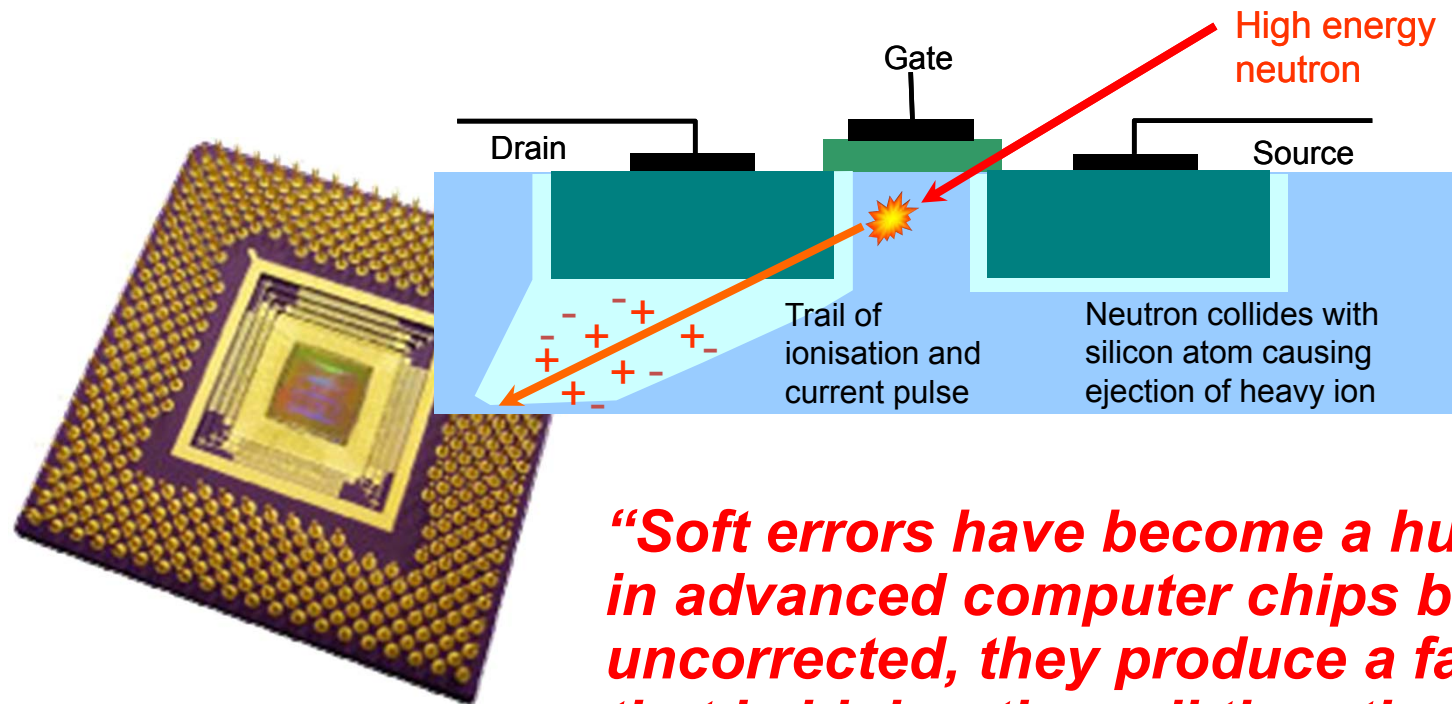


32,000 ft



Neutron Impact on Industry and Life

Single Event Effects (SEE): A single energetic particle (neutron) strikes sensitive regions of an electronic device, e.g., logic or support circuitry, memory cells, registers, etc., disrupting its normal function, usually causing non-destructive soft errors.



“Soft errors have become a huge concern in advanced computer chips because, uncorrected, they produce a failure rate that is higher than all the other reliability mechanisms combined!”

.....R. Baumann, IEEE-TDMR, 2005

A **Single Event Effect (SEE)** is when a highly energetic particle present in the environment, strikes sensitive regions of an electronic device disrupting its correct operation

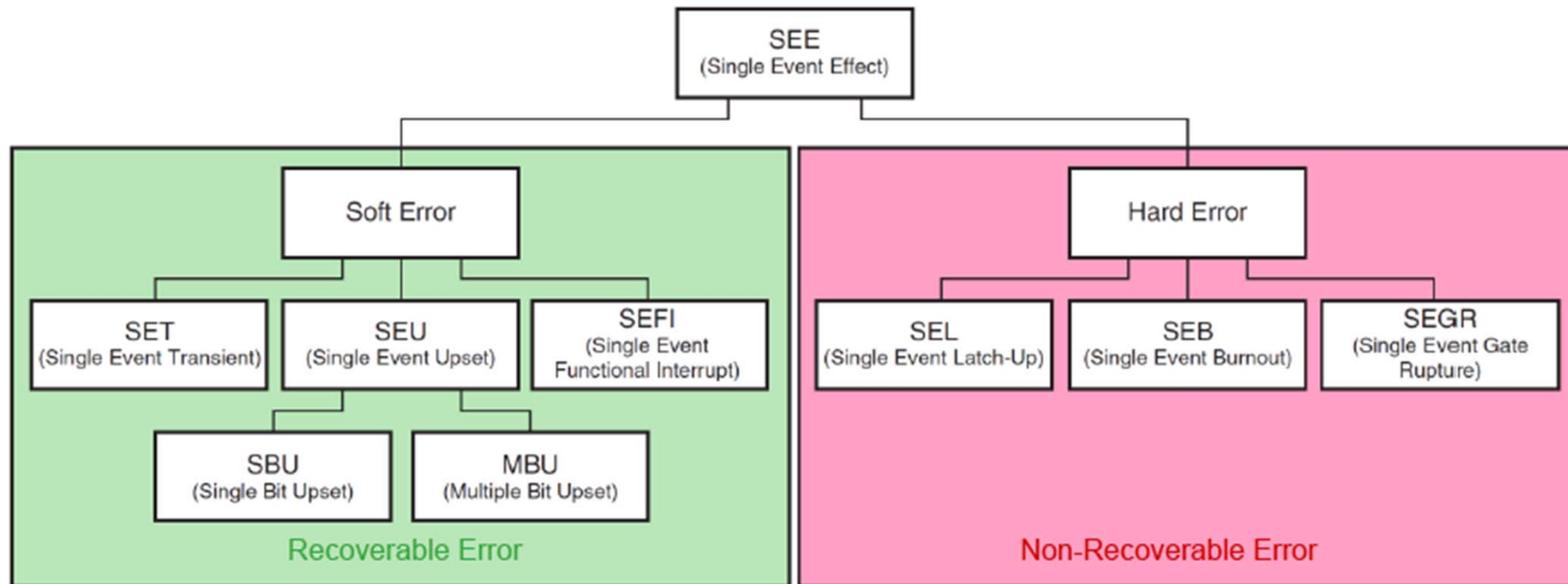
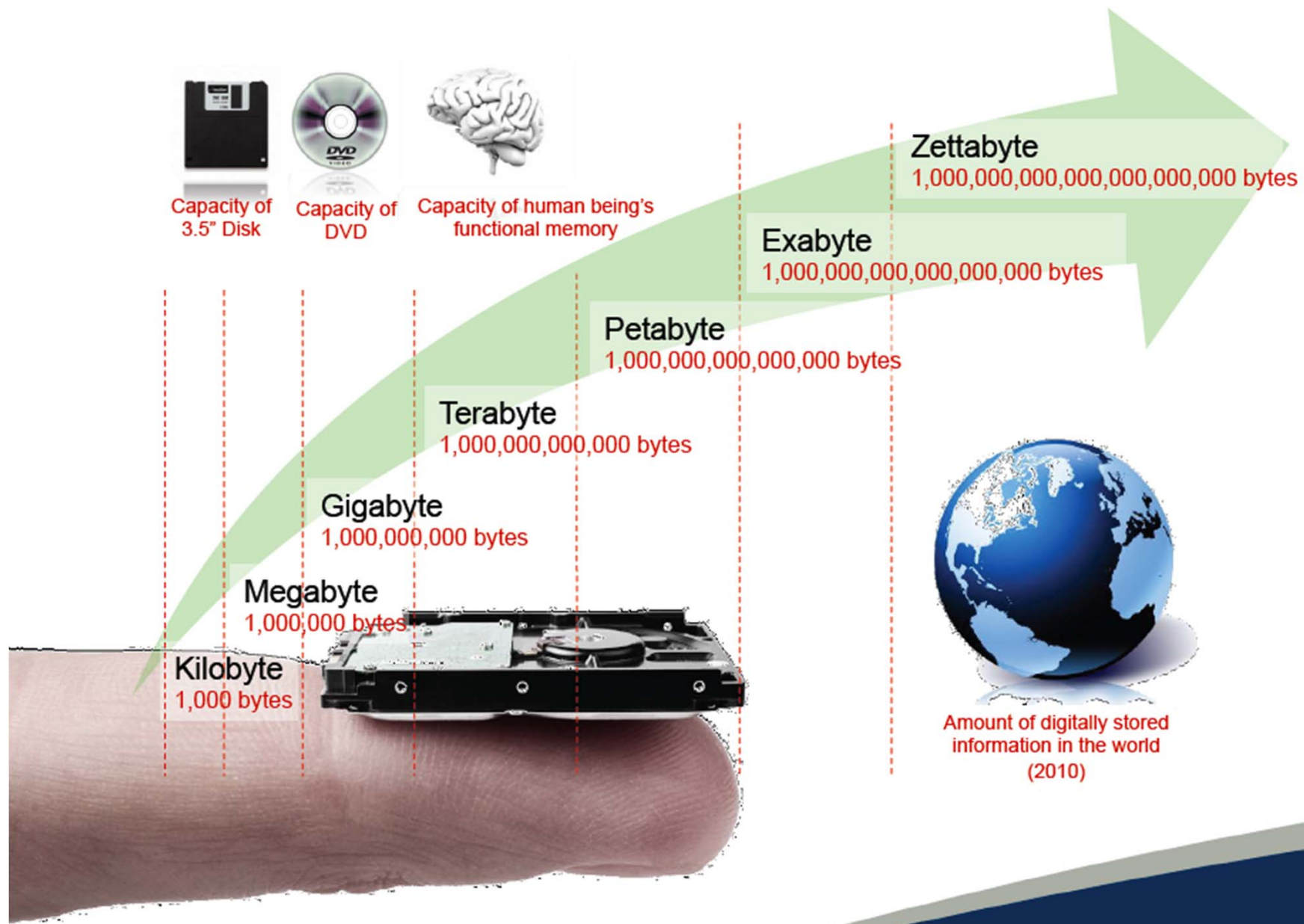


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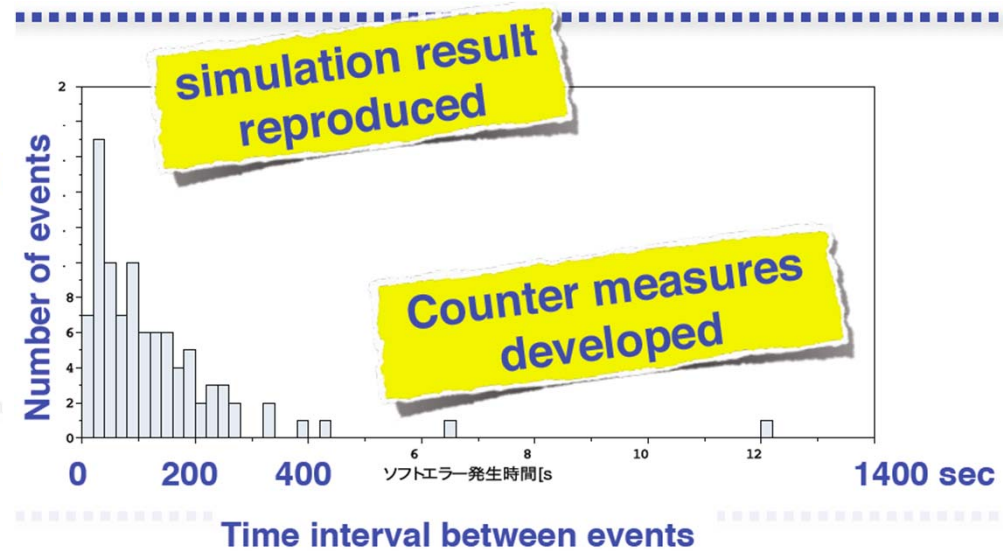
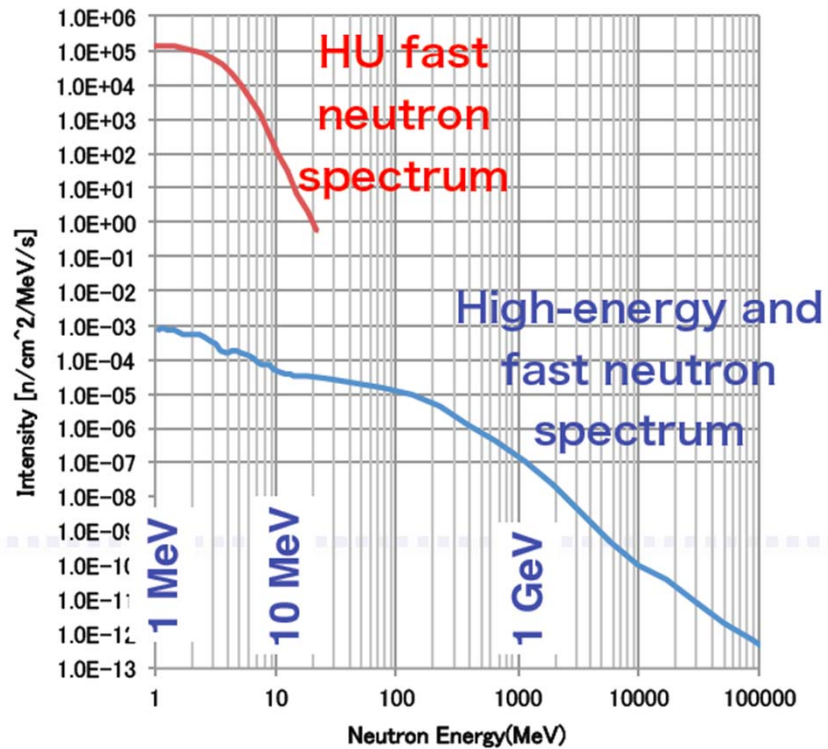
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Measurements of Soft-Error Counts in Electronics At HUNS



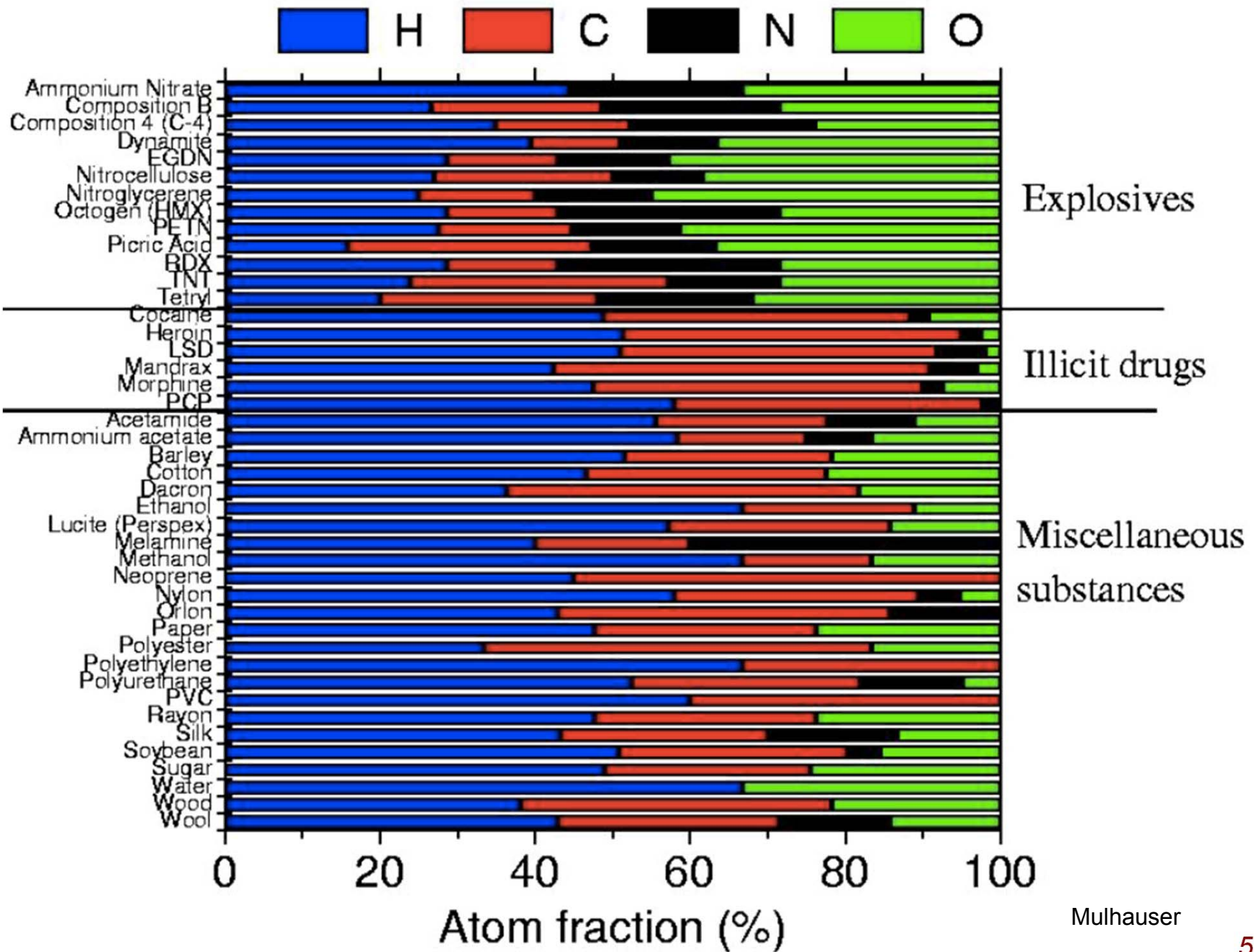
Furusaka (2015), UCANS-V

Neutron Interrogation of Concealed Substances: Explosive

Desirable capabilities

- ✧ Remote detection
- ✧ Non-intrusive
- ✧ High sensitivity (chemical density, 3D volumetric rendering)
- ✧ Materials specific (precise, minimize false alarms)
- ✧ Rapid
- ✧ Flexible (portable, on-site deployment,...)
- ✧ Automatic

Chemical Composition of Different Materials



Aim to be More Quantitative Than N/C Ratio Detection

	Materials	C	H	N	O	P	F	Cl	S	N/H	N/C
Explosives	C4	21.9	3.6	34.4	40.1	0	0	0	0	10	2
	TNT	37	2.2	18.5	42.3	0	0	0	0	8	1
	PETN	19	2.4	17.7	60.8	0	0	0	0	7	1
	AN	0	5	35	60	0	0	0	0	7	∞
Chemical agents	Sarin	34.3	7.1	0	22.9	22.1	13.6	0	0	0	0
	VX	49.5	9.7	5.2	12	11.6	0	0	12	1	0
	CA	44.5	3.7	51.8	0	0	0	0	0	14	1
	HD	30.2	5	0	0	0	0	44.6	0	0	0
	Phosgene	12.1	0	0	16.2	0	0	71.7	0	NA	0
Benign	Water	0	11.1	0	88.9	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Paper	44	6	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Plastic	86	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Salt	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	NA	NA

Explosives are rich in N and O but poor in H and C

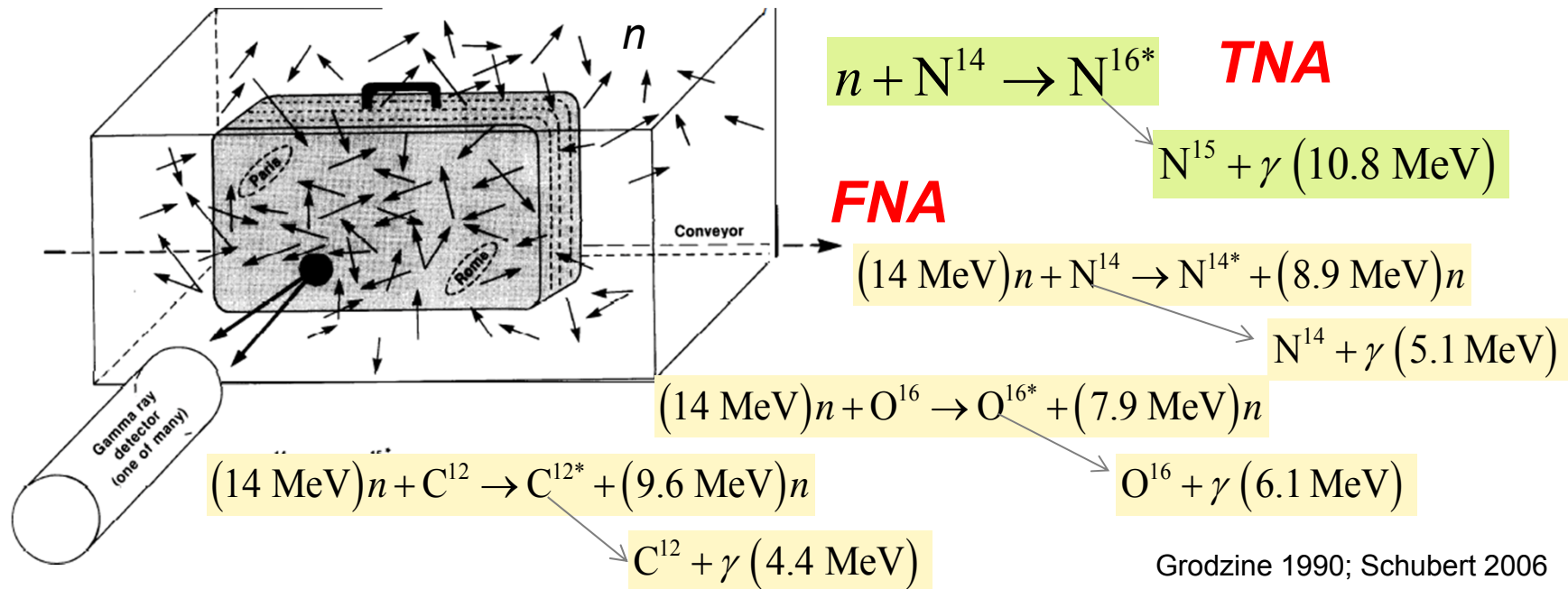
Gozani 2005

“Neutron in Gamma Out” Methods (1)

Thermal Neutron Analysis (TNA): In TNA the object is irradiated by slow (thermal) neutrons, which produce gamma-rays in reactions of radiative capture with the nuclei of chemical elements constituting ES. e.g. N: 10.8 MeV H: hydrogen 2.23 MeV Cl: 7.50 and 6.11 MeV, etc.

Fast Neutron Analysis (FNA): The object is irradiated with a continuous flux of fast neutrons with energy above 8 MeV, which produce characteristic gamma-rays in inelastic scattering reactions with nuclei of C: 4.44, O: 6.13,.. N: 5.1 MeV. Detection of these secondary gamma-rays provides information about relative concentrations of carbon, oxygen and nitrogen in molecules of the inspected substance.

Neutron Resonance Attenuation (NRA): A neutron radiography technique measuring the areal density (density times thickness) of elements present in the interrogated object.

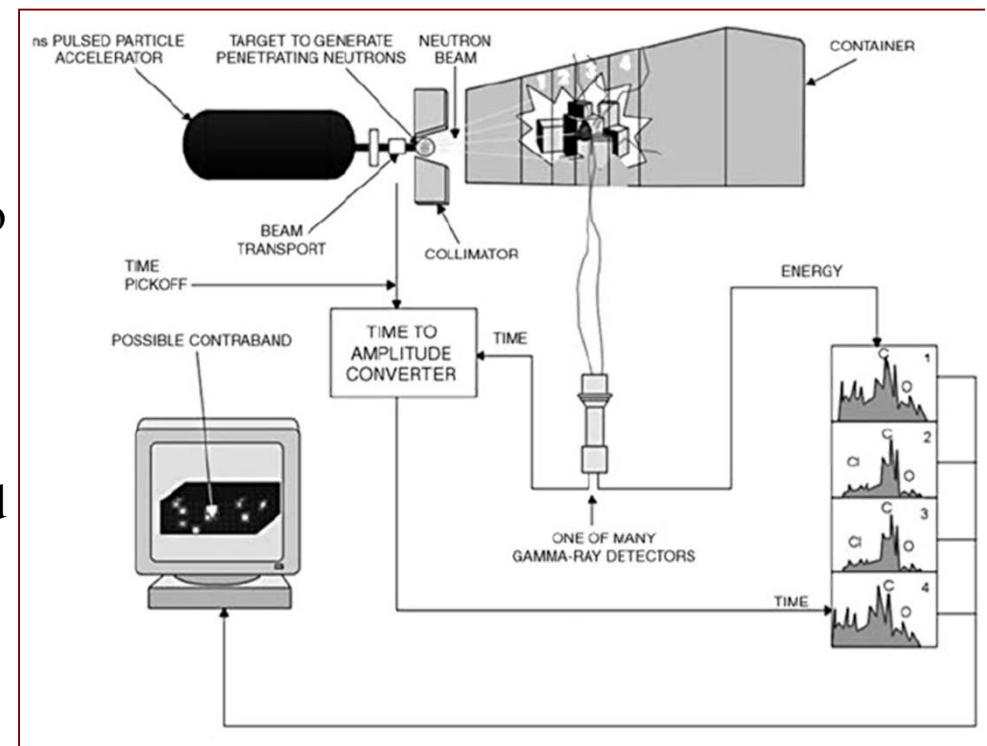


“Neutron in Gamma Out” Methods (2)

Pulsed Fast Neutron Analysis (PFNA): Use pulsed neutron flux (with pulse duration of several nanoseconds) to irradiate the inspected object. This allows one to use **time of flight** information to determine the location of the ES inside the inspected volume. By using collimators for the neutron beam one can get a 3D distribution of carbon, oxygen and nitrogen in the investigated object.

Pulsed Fast and Thermal Neutron Analysis (PFTNA): PFTNA is a combination FNA and TNA.

Nanosecond Neutron Analysis / Associated Particles Technique (NNA/APT): Use $d(t,\alpha)n$ to produce fast neutrons in portable neutron generators, mono-energetic neutrons ($E = 14$ MeV) and α -particles ($E = 3$ MeV) are emitted simultaneously in opposite directions. Tag n with α to discriminate secondary γ . Background γ -rays that are not correlated in time with “tagged” neutrons are rejected by the data acquisition system. Use of position sensitivity of the α -detector and time-of-flight analysis allow one to obtain 2D spatial distribution of chemical elements in the examined object.



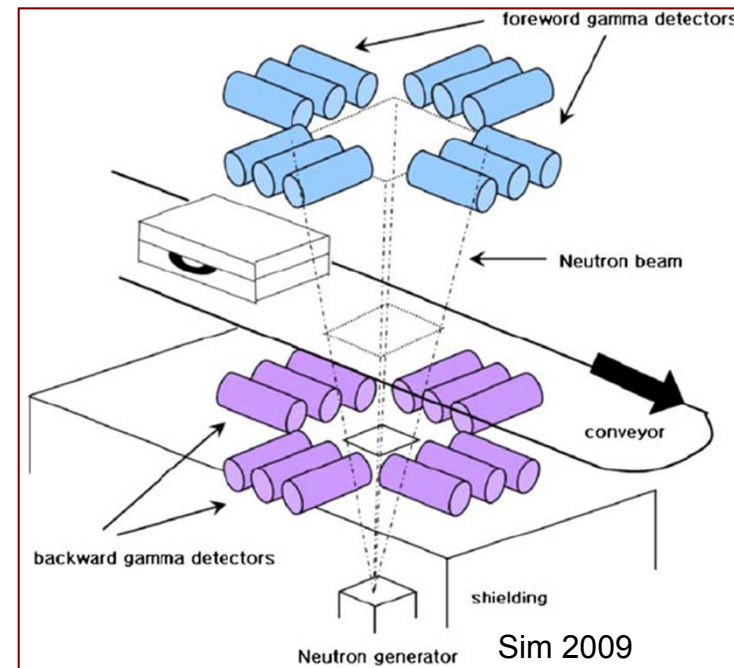
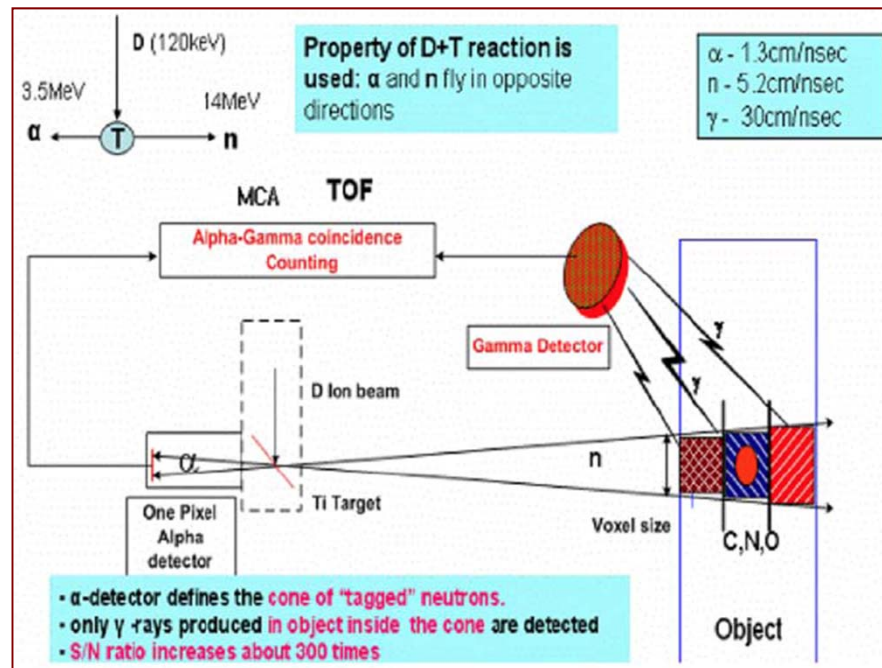
PFNA

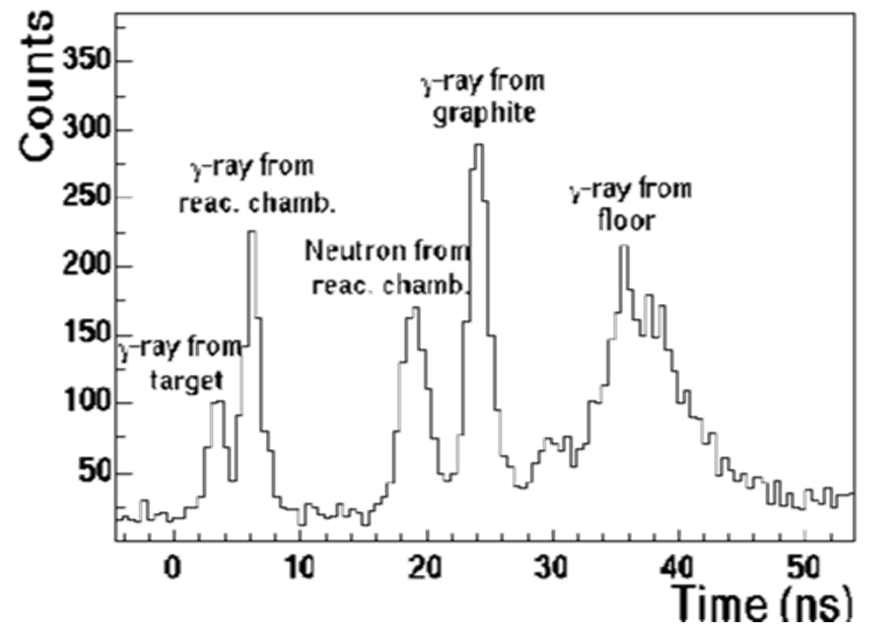
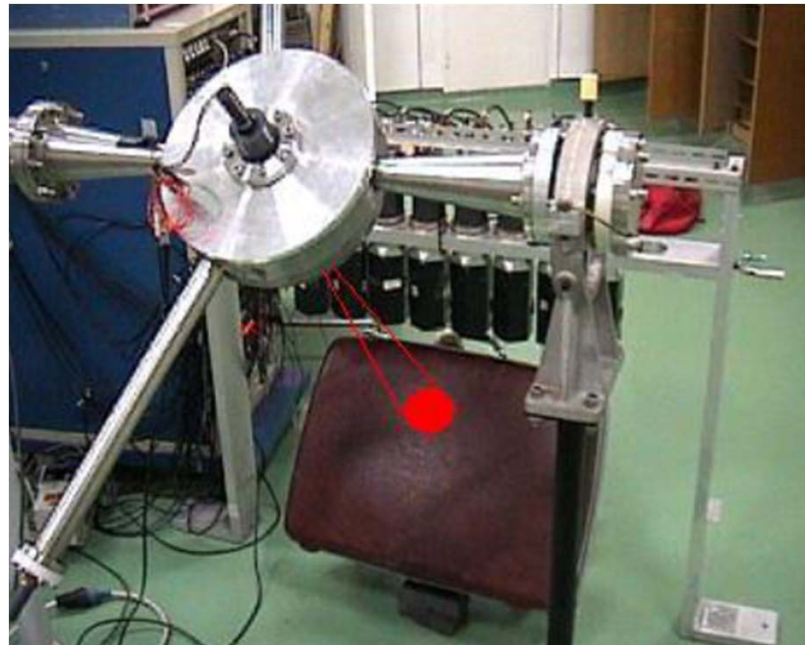
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Associated-Particle Imaging (API)

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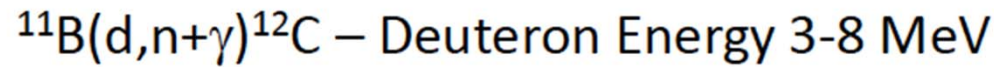


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First Commercial Scanner – Nuctech AC6015XN

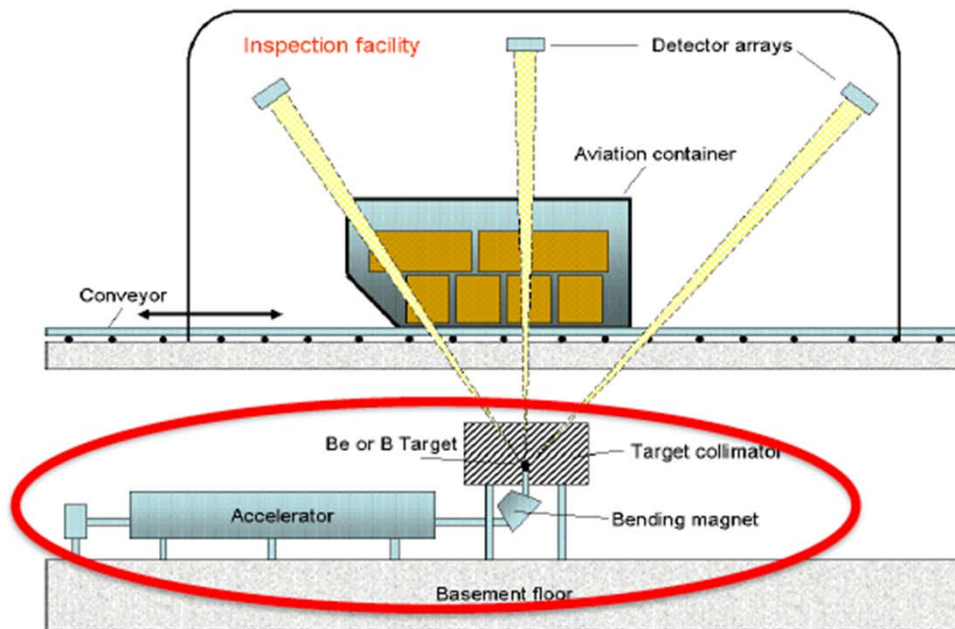


Needing improvement in order to be practical



4.43, 15.1 MeV γ -rays
Dual Discrete Energy
Gamma Radiografie
=> SNM detection

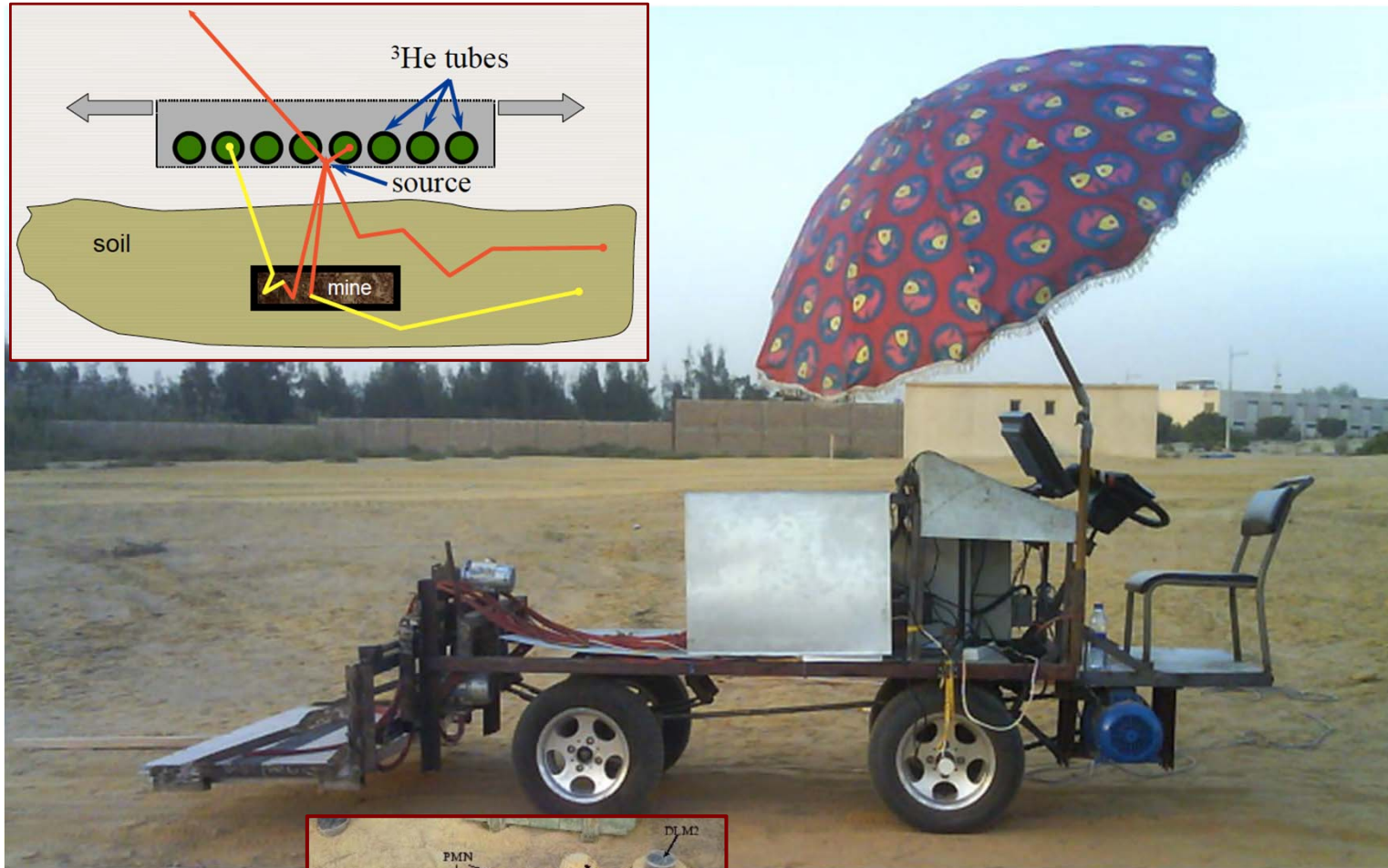
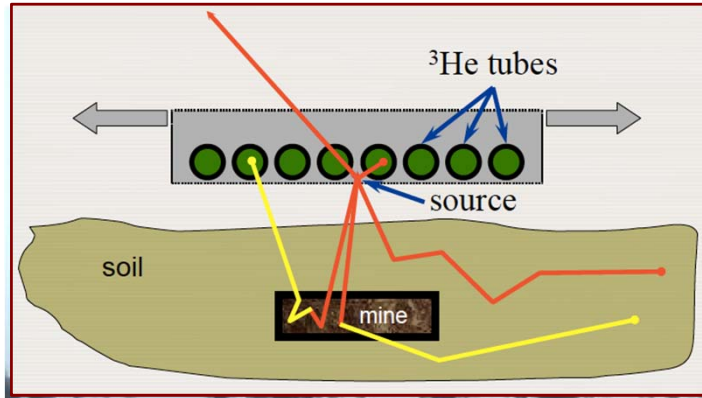
0-17 MeV neutron spectrum
Fast Neutron
Resonance Radiografie
=> Explosives detection



- (Semi-) Automatic Inspection
- Isotope specific Detection
- Combined Explosives & SNM Detection

Bromberger (2015), UCANS-V

Landmine Detection: An Ongoing Effort

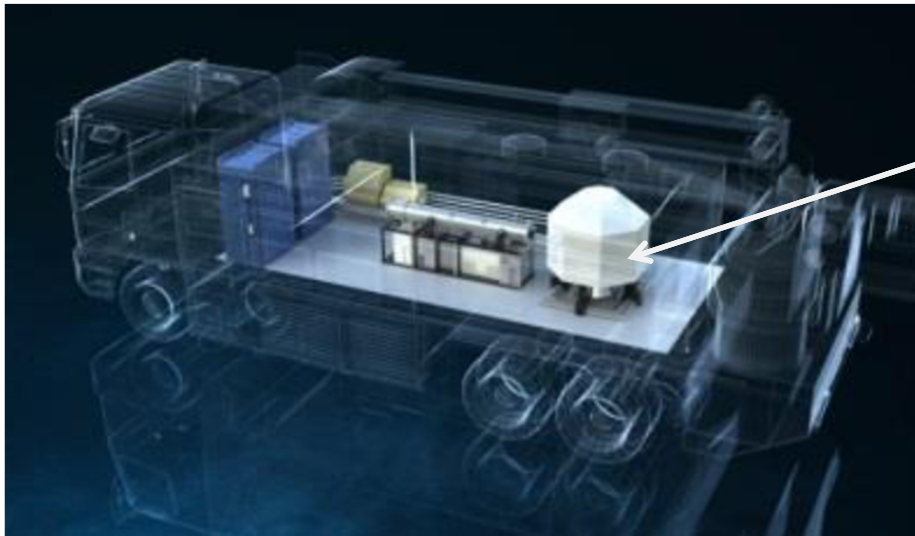


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Civil Engineering: Inspection of Large Infrastructure



A Goal to be Fulfilled: Neutron Interrogation Using CANS, To Complement Other Methods



CANS

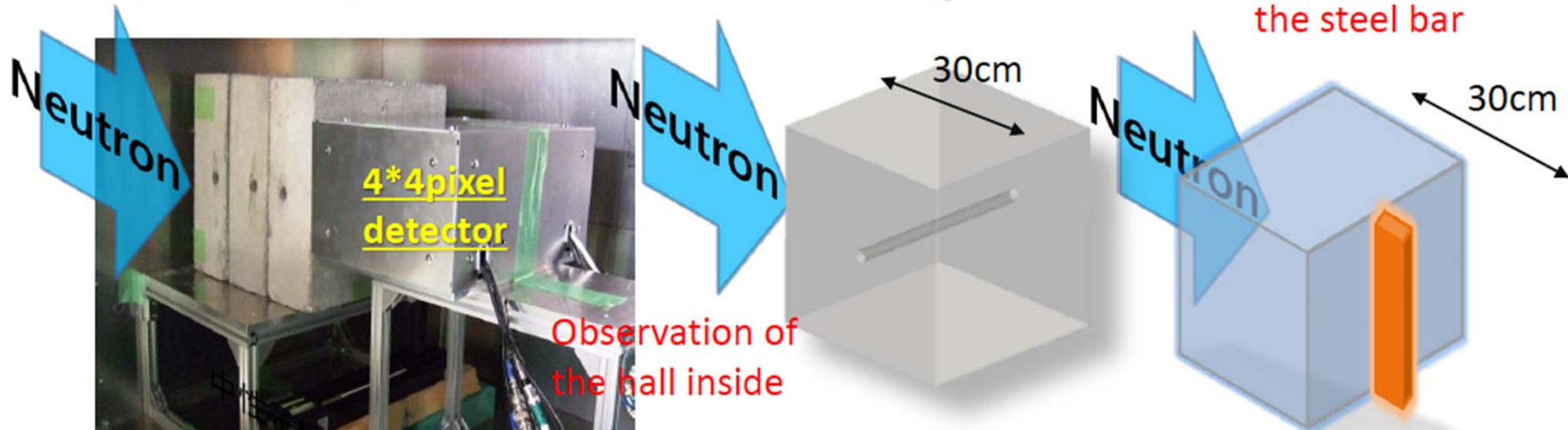


Imaging detector

Otake (2013)

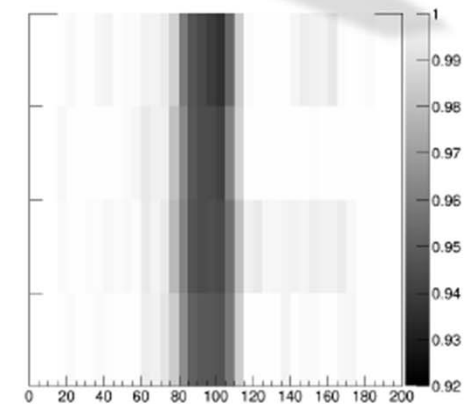
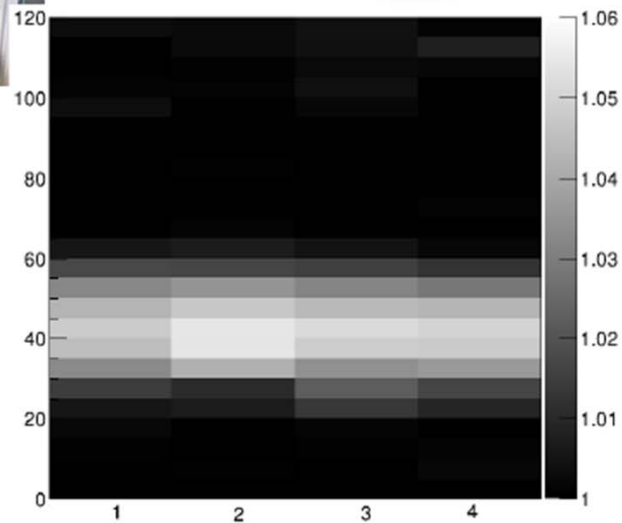
Fast neutron imaging through 30cm concrete block

(> 1 MeV) Non-destructive inspection



Proton linac

Proton energy: 7 MeV
Beam current: 11 μA (avg.)
Rep. rate: 20 Hz
Pulse width: 100 μs



Need Compact & Durable Neutron Sources for Well Logging

The Many Facets of Pulsed Neutron Cased-Hole Logging

Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A254 (1987) 563–569
North-Holland, Amsterdam



□ The multipurpose RST service. Carbon-oxygen ratio, inelastic and capture spectra, sigma, borehole holdup, porosity, water and oil velocities, and borehole salinity are some of the measurements that can be made with RST equipment.

MOLECULAR SPECTROSCOPY OF n-BUTANE BY INCOHERENT INELASTIC NEUTRON SCATTERING

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A NEW CAPTURE AND INELASTIC SPECTROSCOPY TOOL TAKES GEOCHEMICAL LOGGING TO THE NEXT LEVEL

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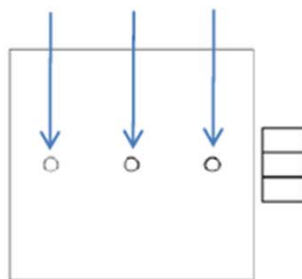
Advanced neutron generator design and fast, efficient gamma ray detectors combine to make a reservoir saturation tool that is capable of detailed formation evaluation through casing and more. Lithology determination, reservoir saturations and flow profiles are some of the comprehensive answers provided by this multipurpose tool.

Success of observation difference of steel bar in the concrete

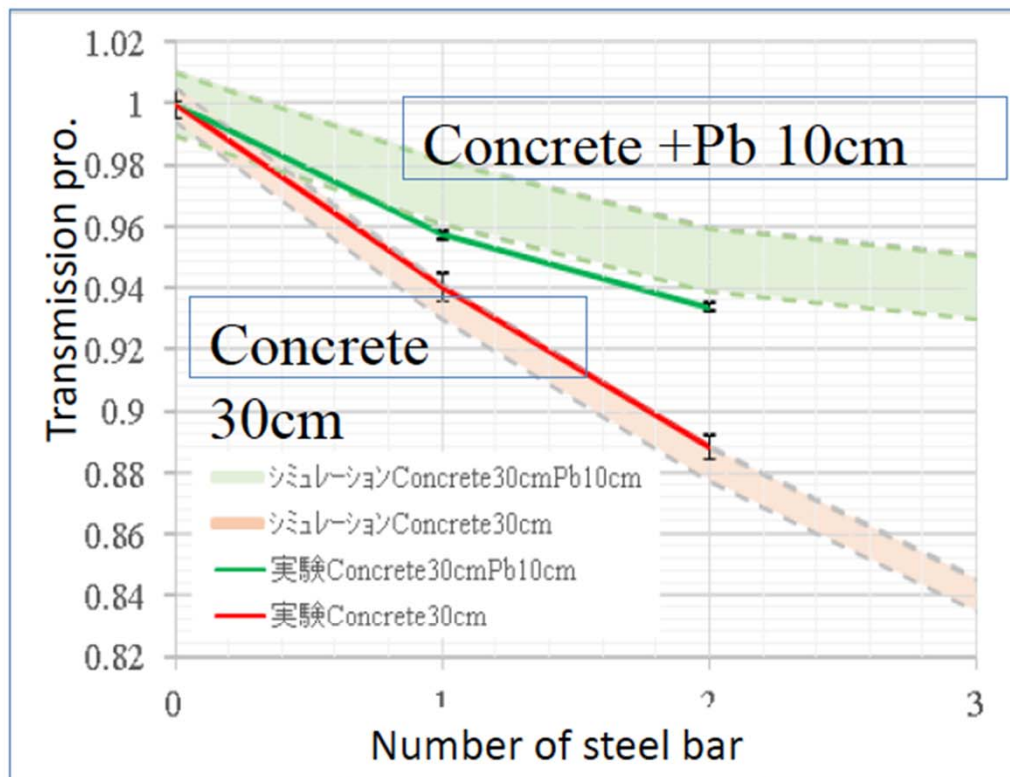
Hole $\Phi 18\text{mm}$ Steel bars 3 ch. detector



Insert ion bars into concrete
0, 1, 2, 3



• comparison with the experimental results and simulation by GEANT4.



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Neutron Therapy: Superior Biological advantage & Selectivity

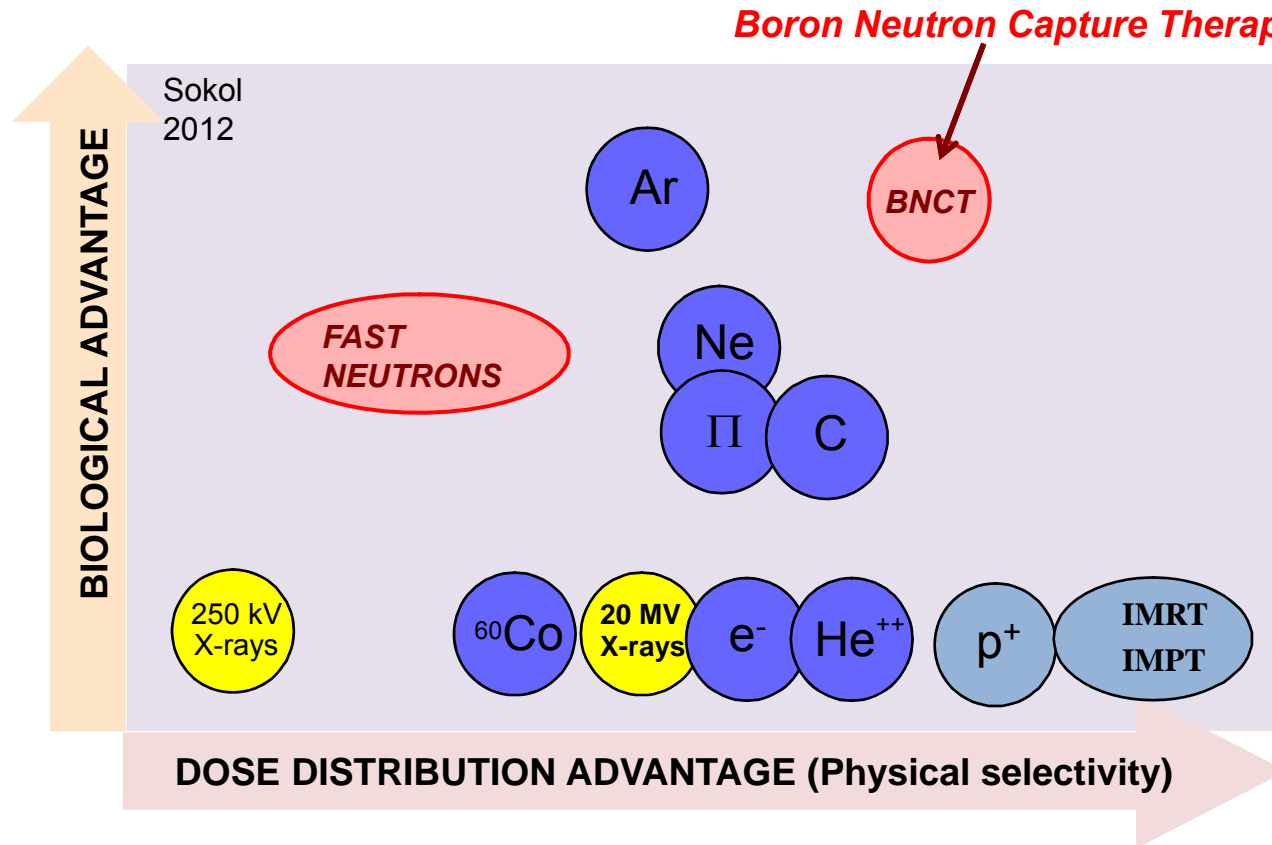
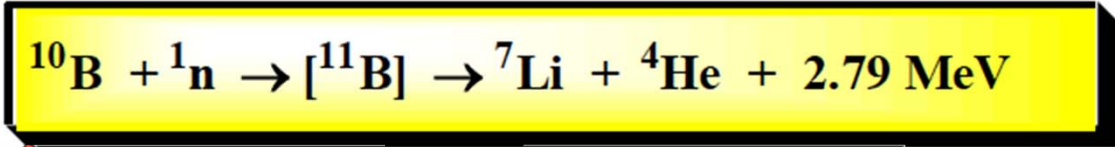
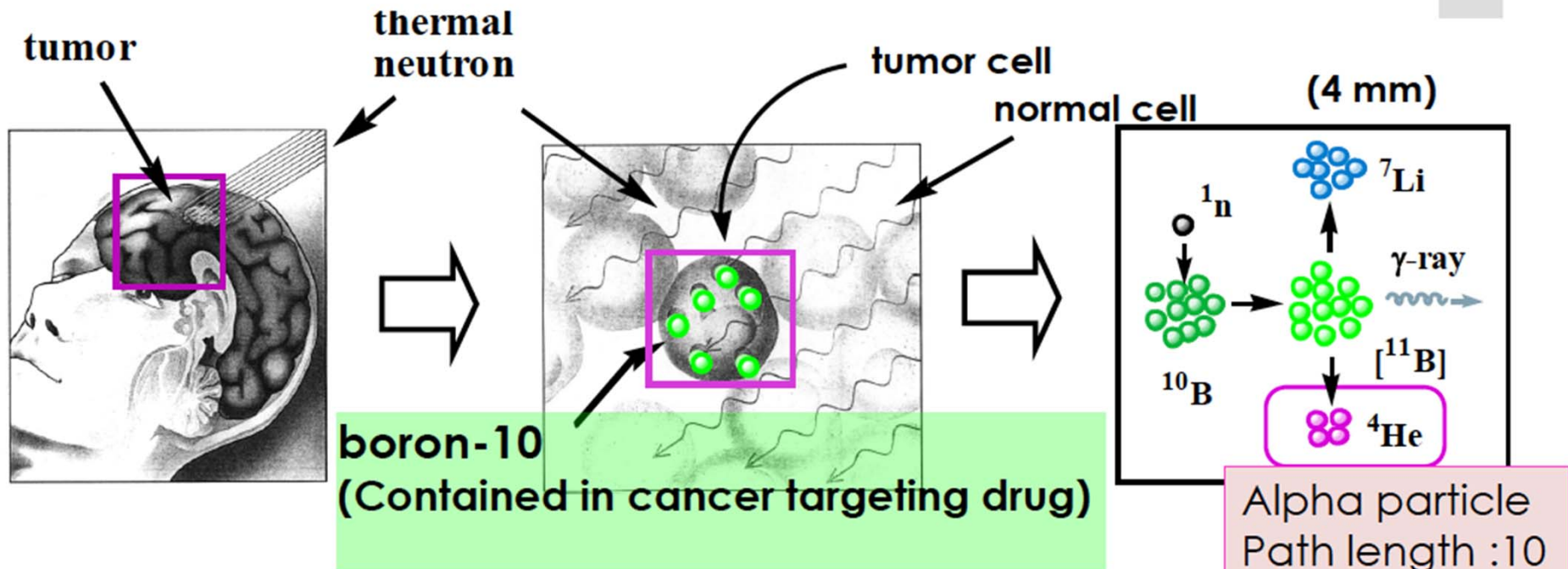


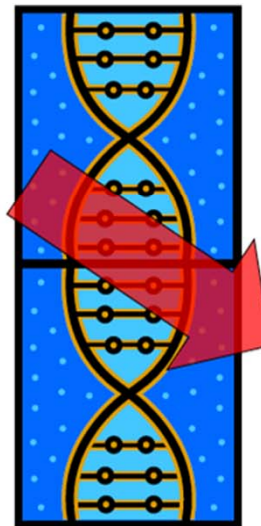
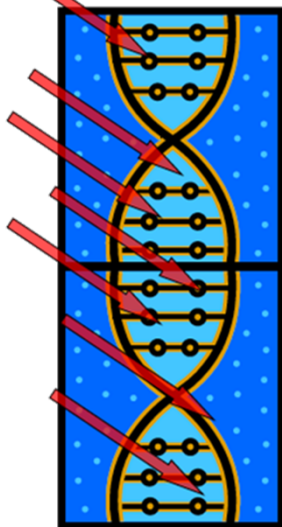
Table 1. Characteristics of four charged-particle reactions considered for accelerator-based boron neutron capture therapies Blue et al. (2003) J. Neuro-Oncology 62, 19.

Reaction	Bombarding energy (MeV)	Neutron production rate (n/min-mA)	Calculated average neutron energy at 0° (MeV)	Calculated maximum neutron energy (MeV)	Target melting point (°C)	Target thermal conductivity (W/m-K)
$^7\text{Li}(p,n)$	2.5	5.34×10^{13}	0.55	0.786	181	85
$^9\text{Be}(p,n)$	4.0	6.0×10^{13}	1.06	2.12	1287	201
$^9\text{Be}(d,n)$	1.5	$1.3 \times 10^{13*}$	2.01	5.81	1287	201
$^{13}\text{C}(d,n)$	1.5	1.09×10^{13}	1.08	6.77	3550	230

*Varies by a factor of three in the literature; this value was determined by comparing simulation and experimental values.



X-rays, Y-rays, LE protons



α particles & ^7Li nuclei from *boron neutron capture therapy* cut both DNA strands of the tumor cells

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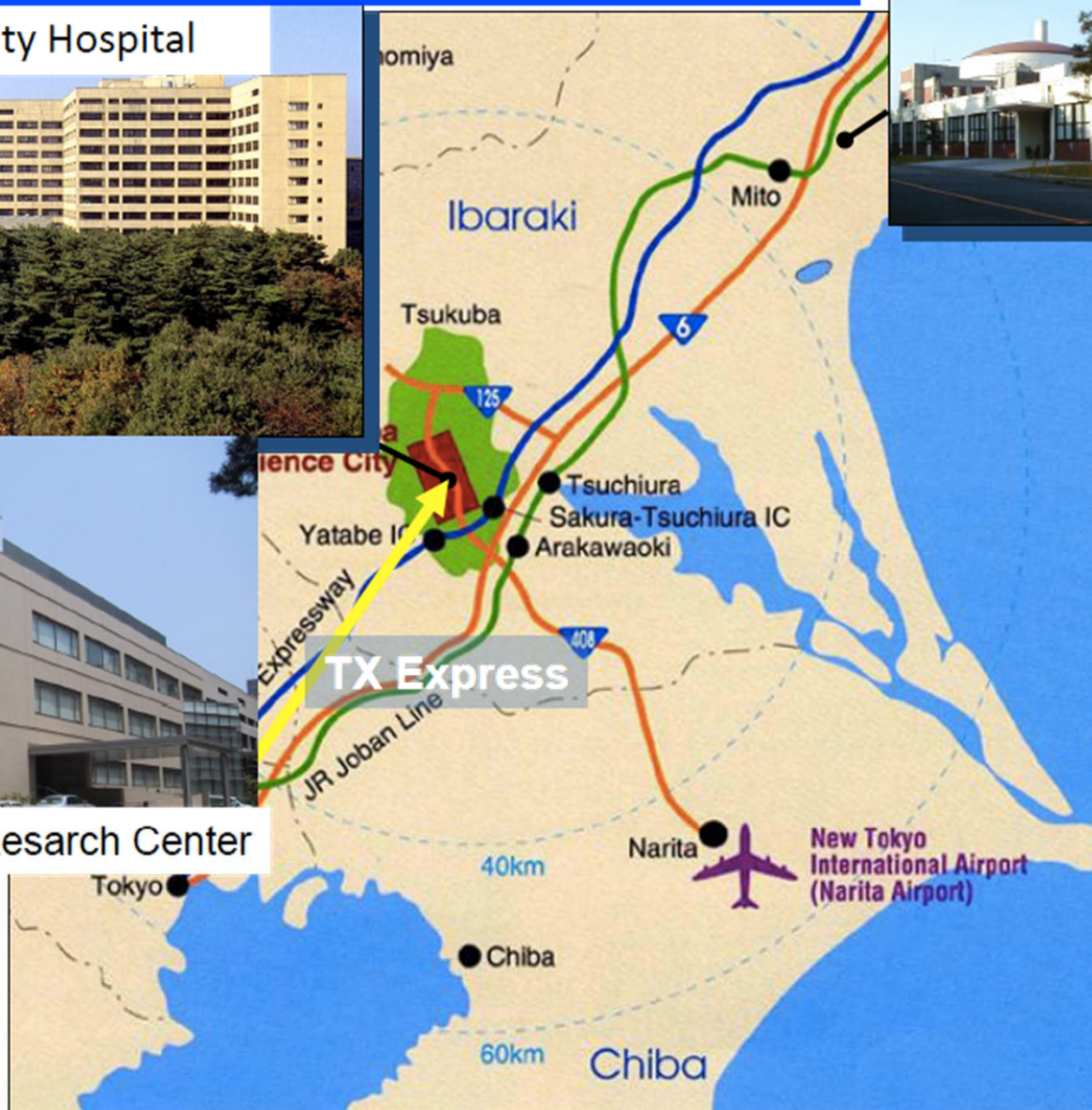
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放射室、壁の奥に安心があり、ビーム孔から中性子が患部に向けて照射される

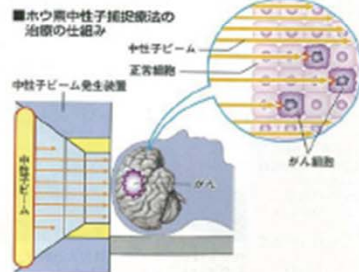
中性子が水の中を通過するとき発生する青い光。「チェレンコフ放射」と呼ばれる



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医師たちは患者が治療中の照射室に長時間入れないため、別室で照射の位置決めをする



水素中性子捕捉療法の実理。正常細胞を傷やがん細胞を狙い撃ちにする

現代の最新治療2011

患者をどこまで救えるのか!

最新治療は革新的な側面がある。だから、最新は「最先」だとは限らない。しかし、「患者を苦しみから解放したい」と強い志を持った医師たちは、日々、挑戦的な治療に臨んでいる。未来の標準治療の現場を歩いた。

進化する放射線治療

ホウ素中性子捕捉療法

原子炉を利用した新しいがん治療

中性子はがん細胞の一種「神経線維」を破壊する。その性質が高いとされている。この病気の治療に期待がかかる。この病気の治療に期待がかかる。この病気の治療に期待がかかる。この病気の治療に期待がかかる。

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Sample cases of BNCT Treatment (High effectiveness & preservatoion of normal tissue)

Prof.Kato,Osaka University

Recurrent Parotid Cancer
Pre BNCT



Recurrent tumor after Surgery, Chemotherapy and Radiotherapy. Skin erosion and infection is evident

After 2nd BNCT



Marked shrinkage of the tumor and regeneration of the skin

5M after 3rd BNCT



Complete cure by BNCT. The patient was alive 5 yrs without cancer recurrence

Malignant Melanoma at foot
Pre BNCT



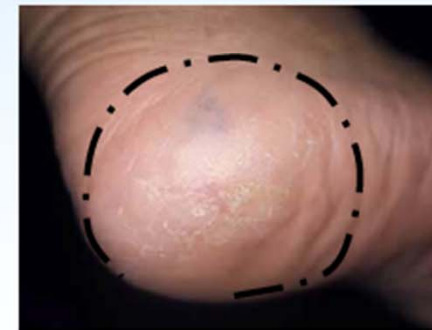
Tumor

3M after BNCT



Corutsey of Kawasaki Medical University

6M after BNCT



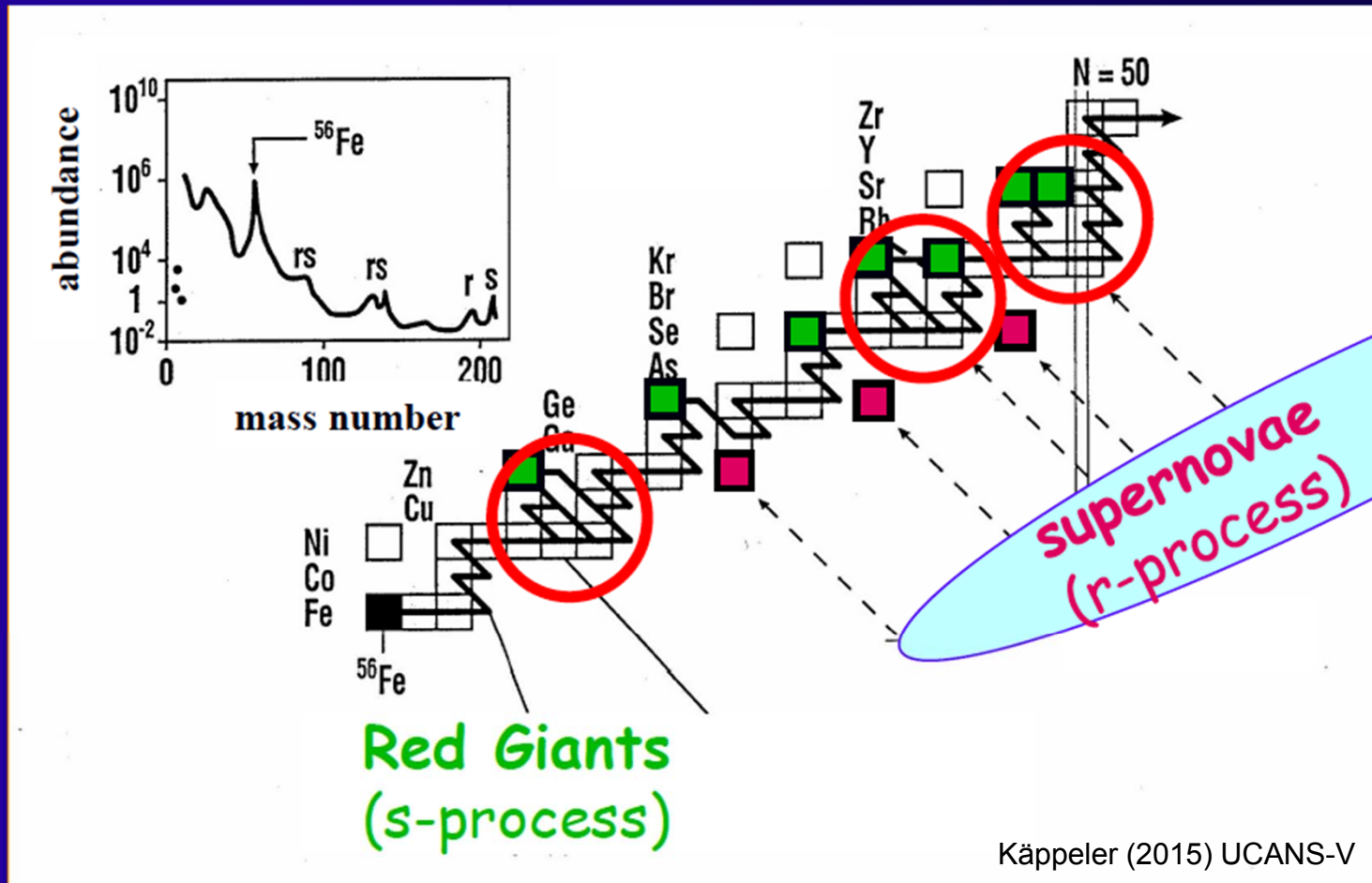
Fast Neutron Therapy (FNT)

- ✧ Fast neutrons damage cells through high linear-energy-transfer (HLET); kill cancer cells by cutting both cords of the chromosome helix.
- ✧ HLET reduces the numbers of treatment by >50% compared with other LLET therapies.
- ✧ Under hypoxic conditions (reduced oxygen supply) at the tumor tissue neutrons are more effective than x-rays.
- ✧ Currently FNT is only available at a handful facilities in Germany, Russia, USA and South Africa, mainly based on cyclotrons and reactors. Reactors need special beamlines to extract fast neutrons from the reactor core.



Other Applications: Nuclear Astrophysics, Nuclear Data

Fe to U: s- and r-process



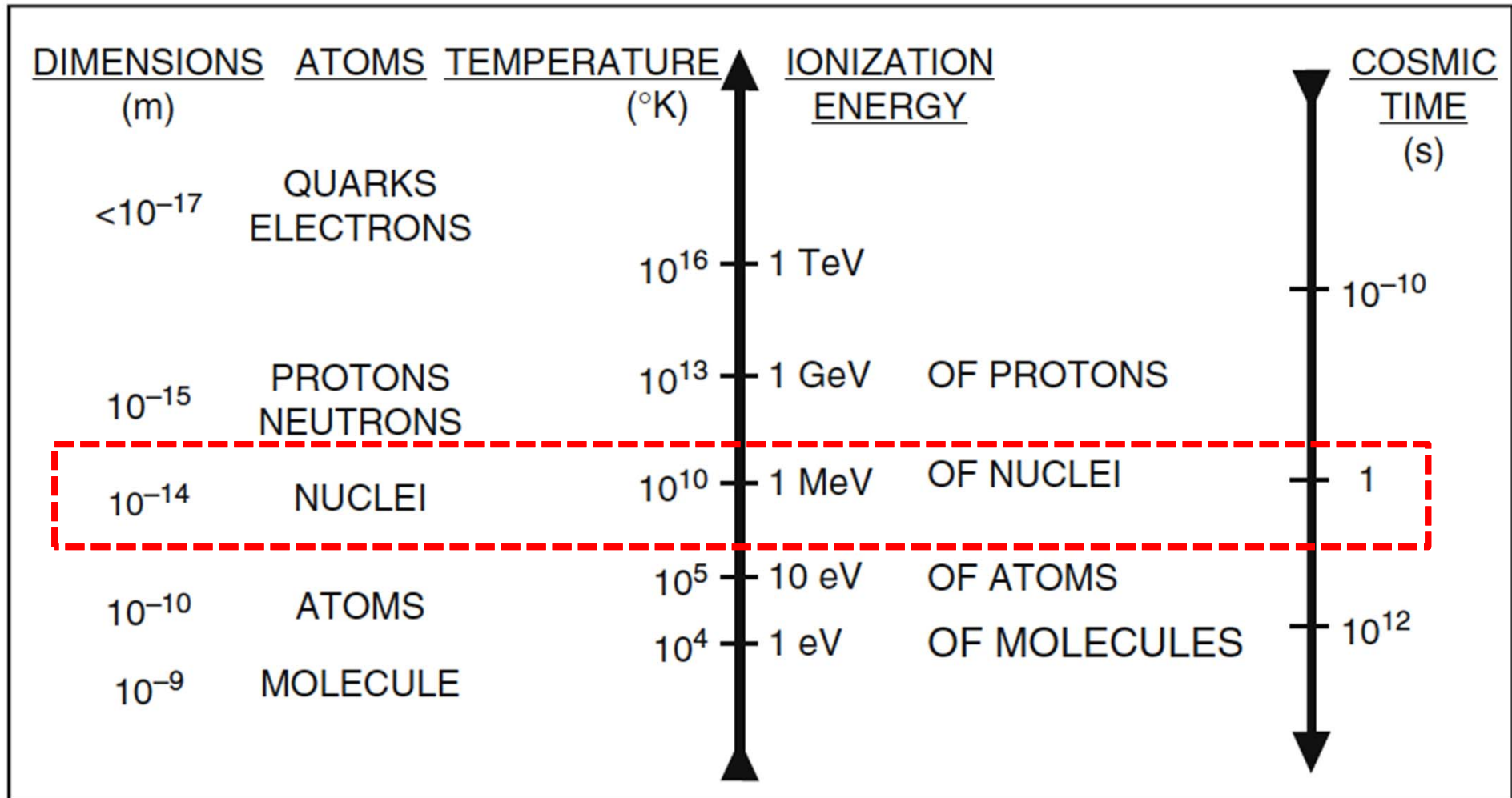
$$s\text{-abundance} \times \text{cross section} = N_s \sigma = \text{constant}$$

The Neutron-related Needs Identified

major s-process requests

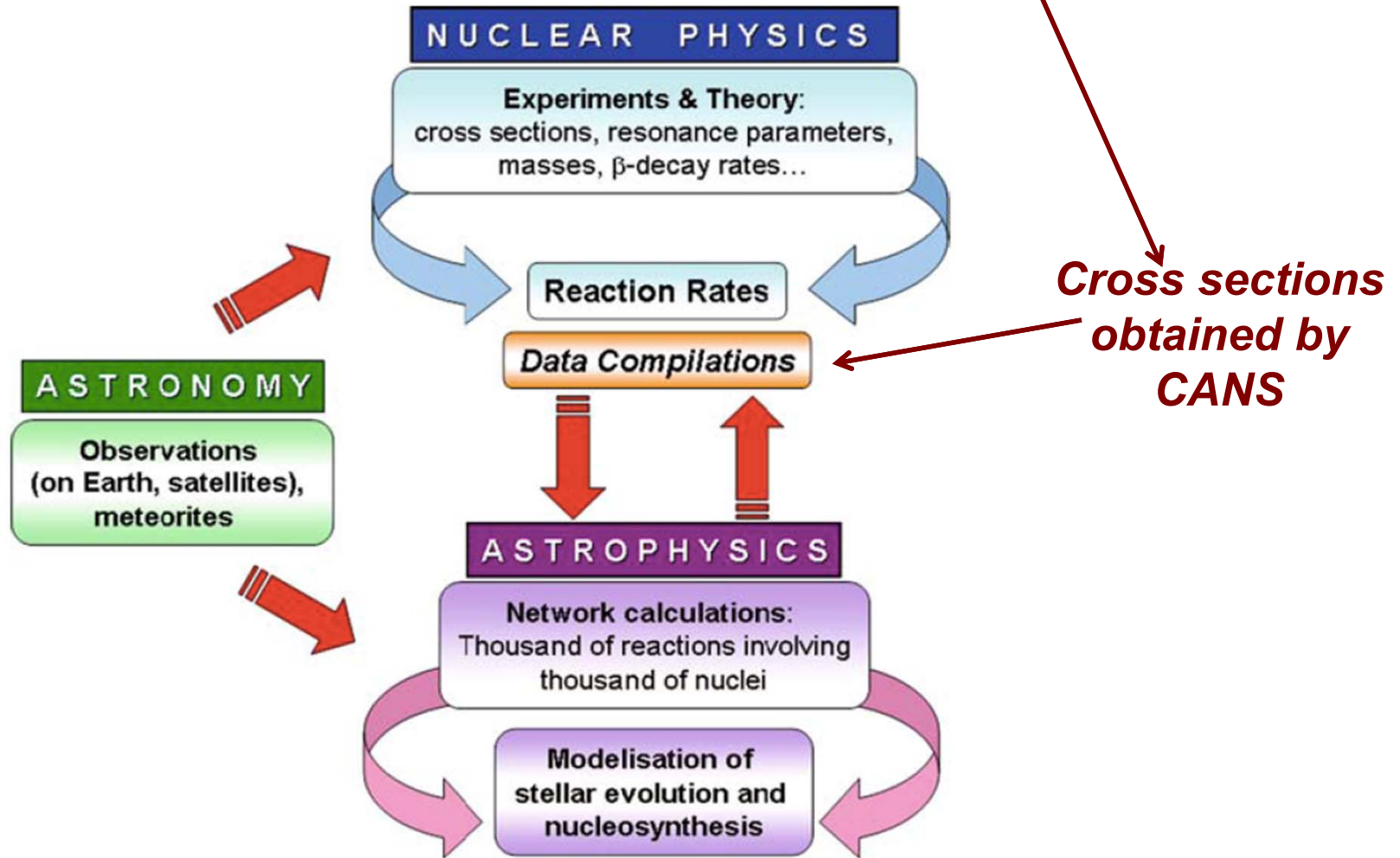
- AGB model tests: **16 s-only isotopes** $\pm 1\%$
~20 unstable isotopes $\pm 5\%$
- massive stars: **Fe – Kr region** $\pm 3-5\%$
- presolar grains: **75 isotopes** $\pm 1\%$
- bottle neck nuclei: **15 n-magic nuclei**
- neutron poisons: **C, N, O, Ne, Mg**
- neutron sources: **$^{13}\text{C}(\alpha, n)$ and $^{22}\text{Ne}(\alpha, n)$**
- thermally excited states: **el. and inel. scattering**

CANS provides neutrons of energies (~MeV) comparable to the temperatures of the sun and supernova explosion.



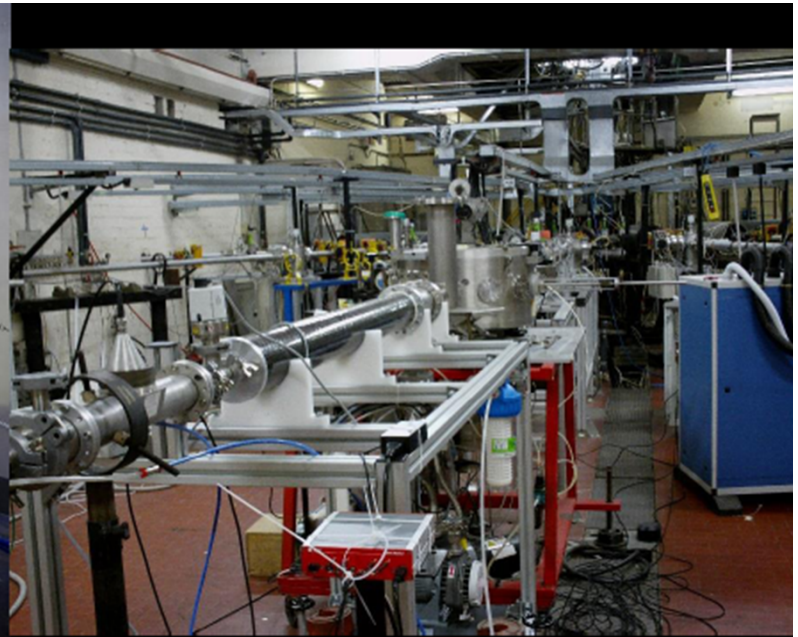
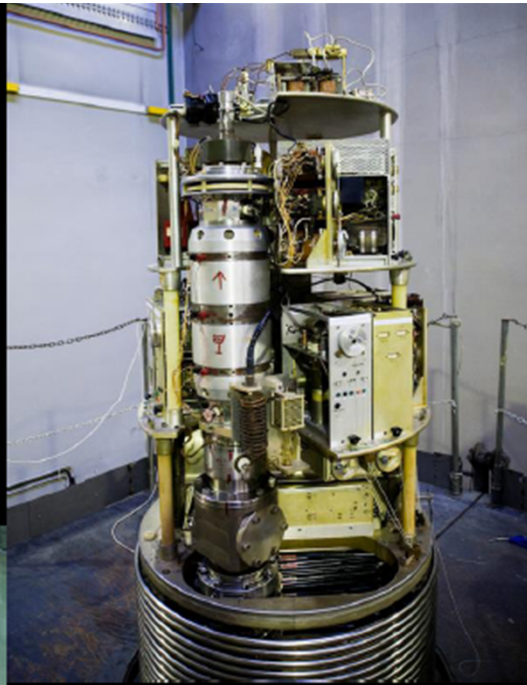
Reciprocity Theorem

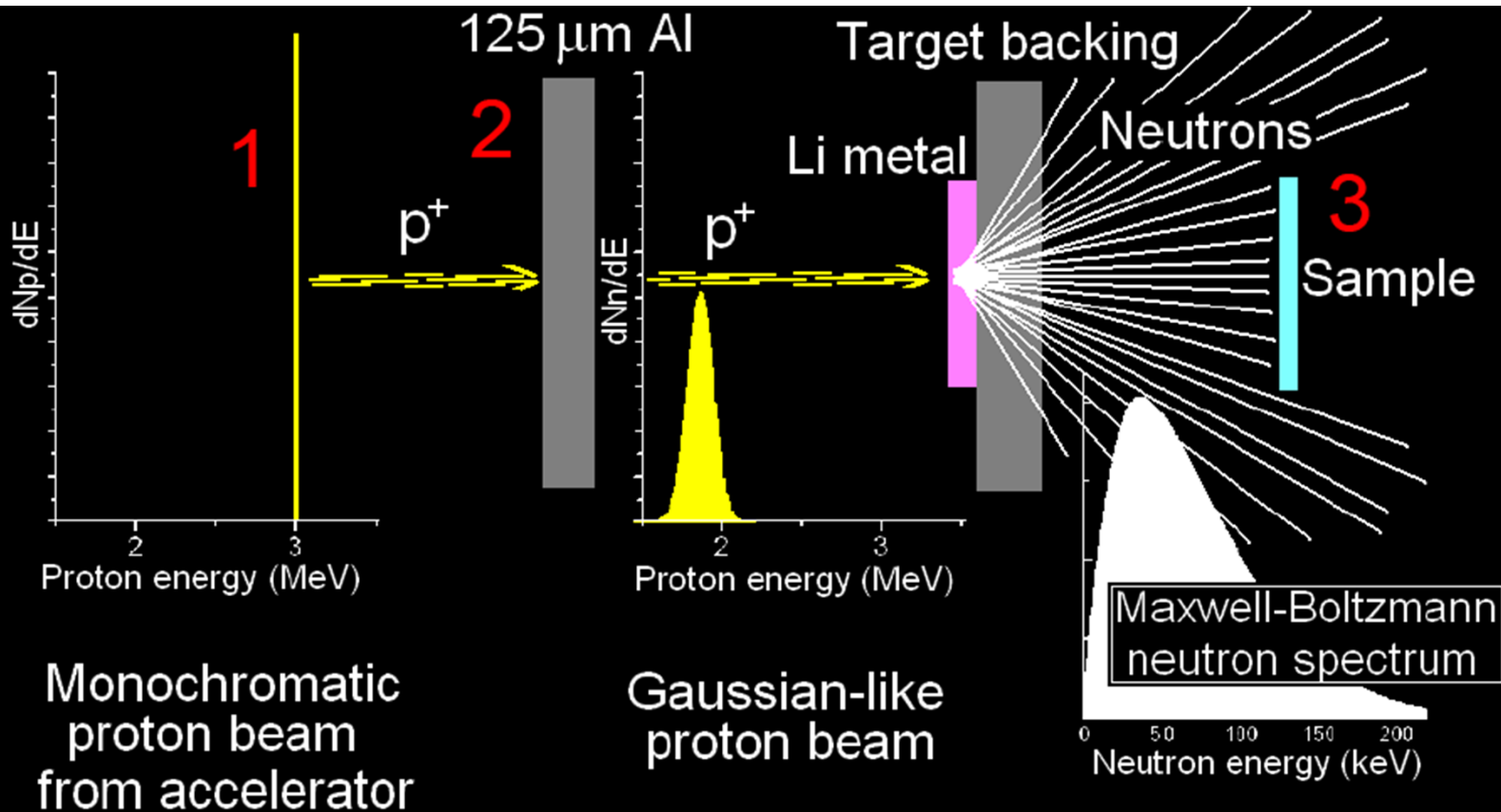
$$(2I_x + 1)(2I_X + 1)(k_\beta)^2 \sigma(\beta \rightarrow \alpha) = (2I_y + 1)(2I_Y + 1)(k_\alpha)^2 \sigma(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)$$



GELINA

7 MV Van de Graaff at LNL
3 MHz pulsed proton beam, 300 nA





$$\frac{d^2Y}{d\Omega dE_n}(\theta, E_n) = N_{7\text{Li}} \frac{d\sigma_{pn}}{d\Omega'} \frac{d\Omega'}{d\Omega} \frac{dE_p}{dE_n} \left(\frac{dE_p}{dx}\right)^{-1} \left\langle \frac{d^2Y}{d\Omega dE_n}(\theta, E_n) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{\sigma_p \sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{(E_p - E_p^m)^2}{2\sigma_p^2}} \frac{d^2Y}{d\Omega dE_n}(\theta, E_n) dE_p$$

$$\frac{dY}{dE_n}(E_n) = 2\pi \int_0^{\theta_{\max}} \left\langle \frac{d^2Y}{d\Omega dE_n}(\theta, E_n) \right\rangle \sin \theta d\theta$$

The neutron spectrum at the sample



Temperature-tuned Maxwell–Boltzmann neutron spectra for kT ranging from 30 up to 50 keV for nuclear astrophysics studies

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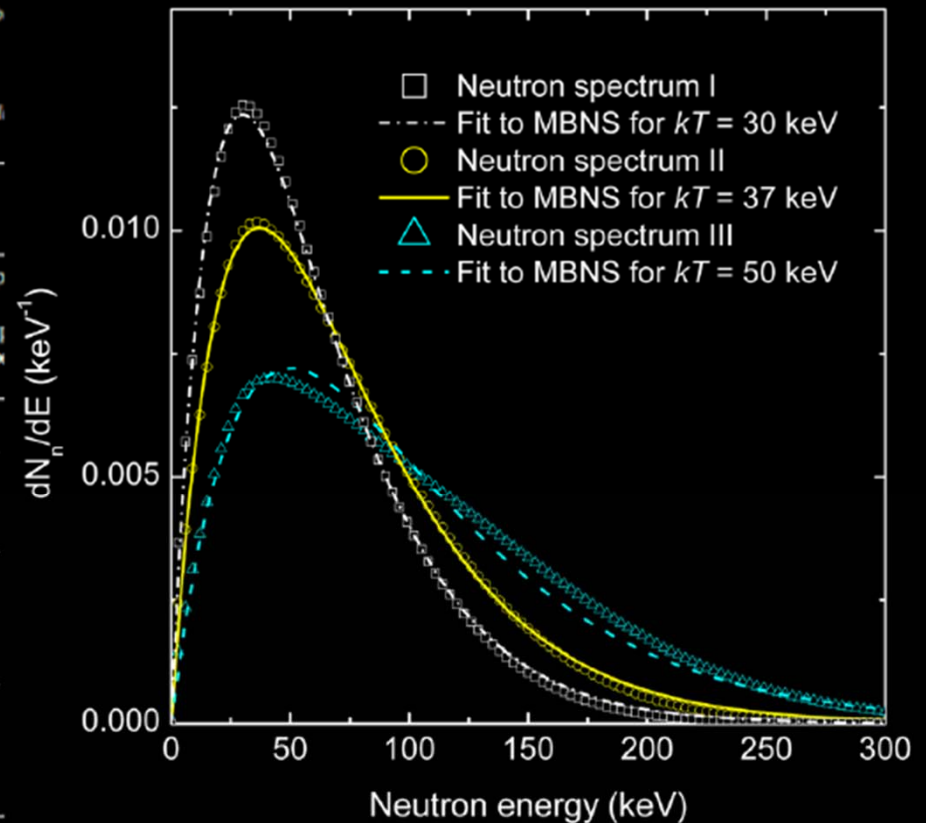
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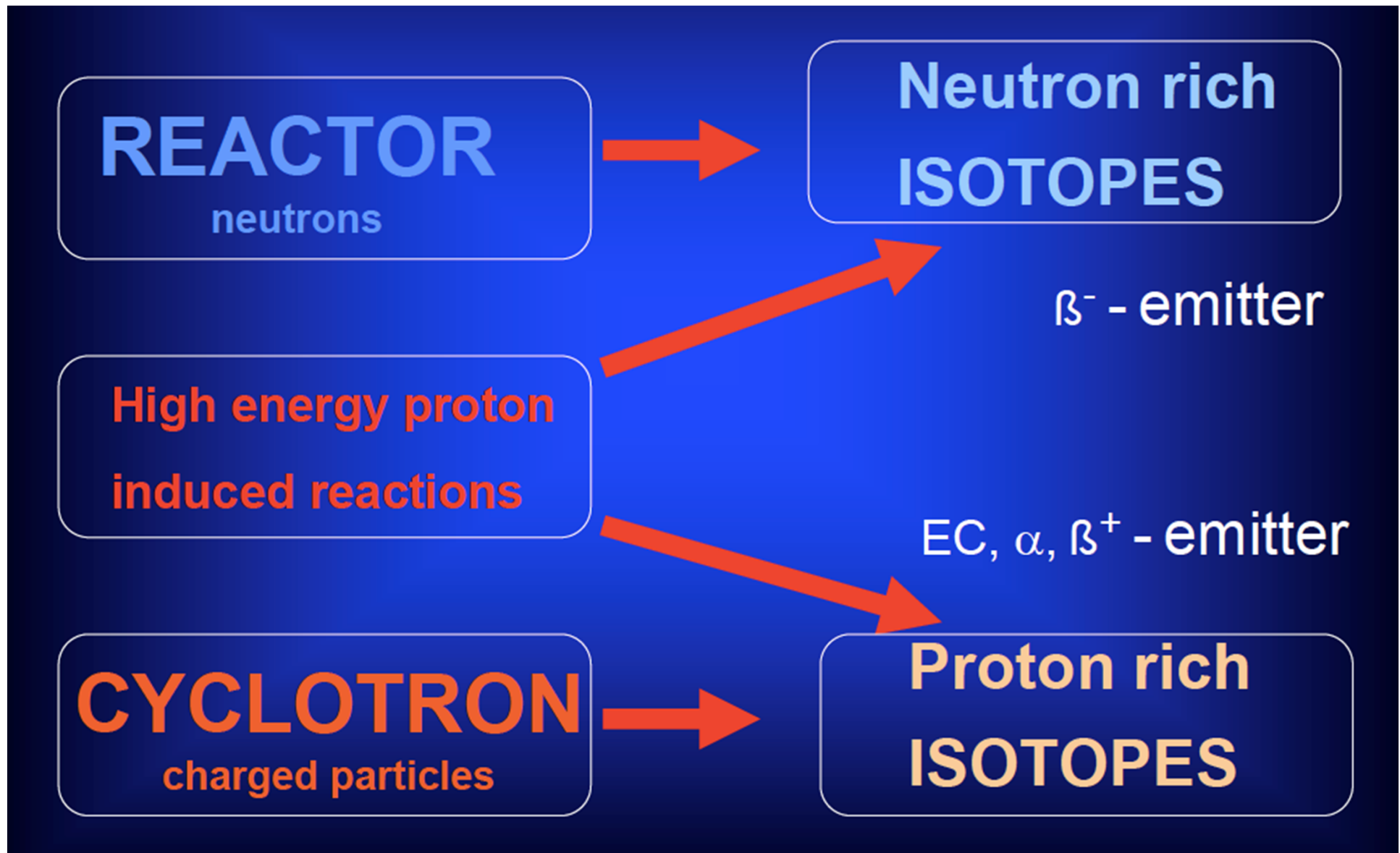
HIGHLIGHTS

- We expand the use of the accelerator-based ${}^7\text{Li}(p,n){}^7\text{Be}$ reaction for astrop
- High-quality stellar (Maxwell–Boltzmann) neutron spectra are calculated.
- Easy control of the proton beam shape can produce the desired neutron sp
- Weighted fit increases accuracy in settling on the neutron spectrum temp

Spectrum	E_p (keV)	E_p (keV) after foil	θ_{max} (degree)	kT (keV)	R^2	Neutron yield (n/pC)
I	4510	1795 ± 79	90	30	0.9995	4.3
II	4547	1865 ± 78	63	37	0.9998	16.4
III	4604	1973 ± 76	43	50	0.9975	37.7



Other Applications: Isotope Production



Supply Problem of $^{99}\text{Mo}/^{99}\text{Tc}$ Isotope for Medical Use

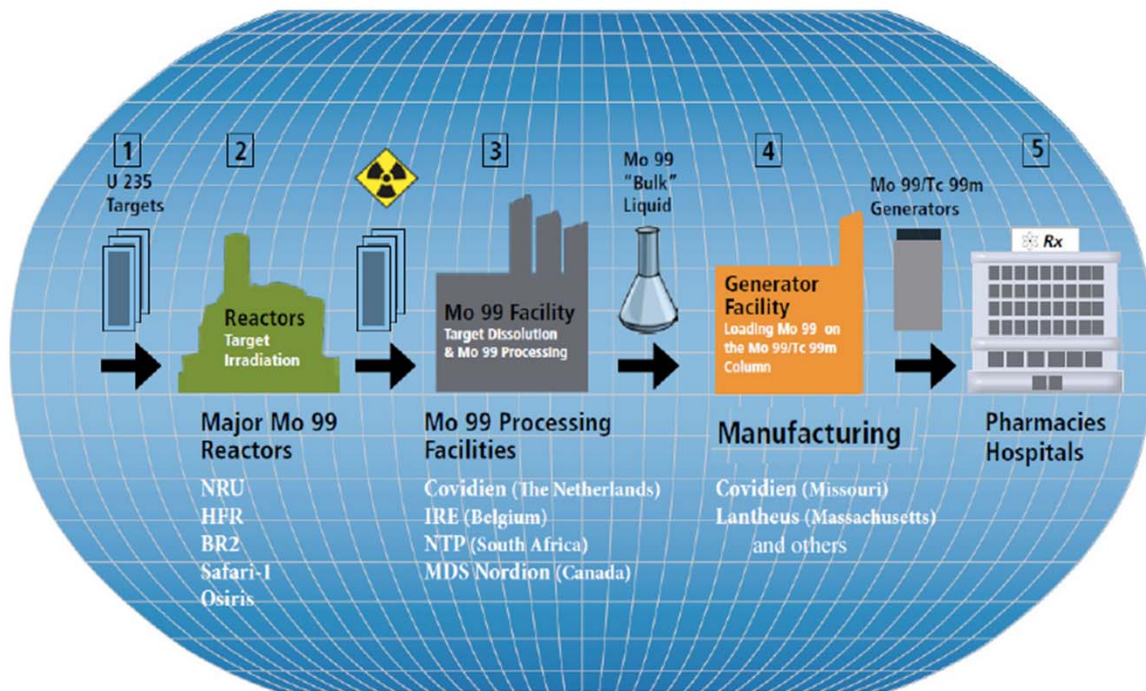


FIG. VII-1: Global supply chain of ^{99}Mo and subsequent utilization schematics. Source: www.covidien.com (October 2009)

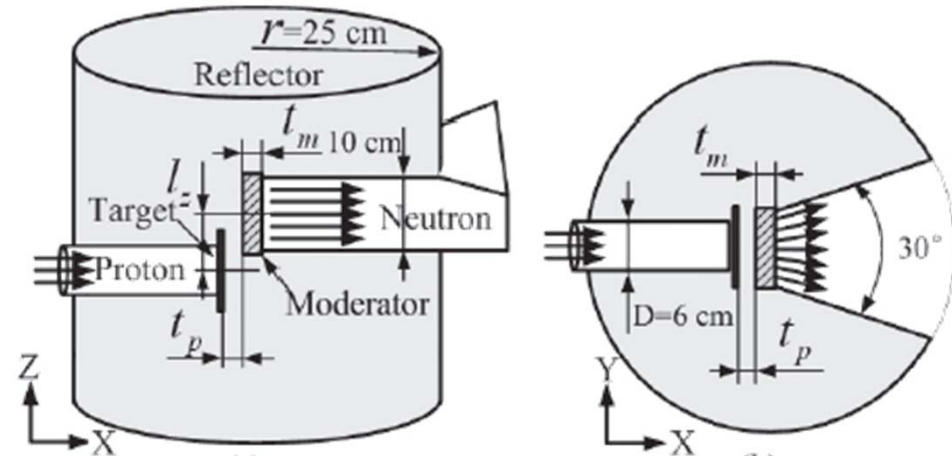
Table 2. Comparison of the two methods (Fission and Neutron) of ^{99}Mo production	
$^{235}\text{U}(n, f) ^{99}\text{Mo}$	$^{98}\text{Mo}(n, \gamma) ^{99}\text{Mo}$
Produces high specific activity ^{99}Mo	Produces low specific activity ^{99}Mo
Requires enriched ^{235}U target	Requires highly enriched ^{98}Mo target
Complex chemical processing	Simple chemical processing
Requires dedicated processing facility	Requires high flux neutron source
High-level radioactive waste	Minimal waste

Modified from S. Mirzadeh, Oak Ridge National Laboratory [32]

Conclusions about CANS Applications

- ✧ CANSs are cost-effective for development of neutronic instrumentation and enhancement of applied research across a broad spectrum of disciplines.

✧ Examples not shown here include continuing studies & testing of **target & moderator design concepts** and neutron **beamline instrumentation** in collaboration with large, high-power neutron sources.



CPHS target-moderator assembly. A good candidate for testing/solving technical problems, e.g., Ga cooling.

- ✧ So far CANS plays a strong role in education and in training users for preparing materials characterization studies at large user facilities, as demonstrated by the Japan Collaboration of Accelerator-driven Neutron Sources (JCANS).
- ✧ Expanding CANS' capabilities may be one of the options to maintain the growth of the user community in the neutron field.

Thank You

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Questions